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 as the body of Christ.

People: We are many individuals, but together we are one.

Leader: Each of us has our own gifts, our own calling, our own

role,

People: but all of us proclaim Jesus Christ is the Messiah!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*HYMN "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" Hymnal **4**

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.)

Almighty God, when faced with earthly powers that seem overwhelming, we crumble. We fear this world. We fear losing our status, our stability, our station more than we fear you. Forgive our shortcomings and teach us to trust in you when we take a risk for what we know is right.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: If God was not on our side we could not stand in the judgment. But God is with us, steadfast and faithful, as we seek to live in peace.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "You Are Uniquely and Wonderfully Made"

HEARING THE WORD

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 138 Pew Bible **p.444**

*HYMN "This Is My Father's World" Hymnal **370**

SCRIPTURE Luke 15:1-10 Pew Bible **p.740**

MESSAGE Lost Things Col. Doug Tollerud

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER, followed by The Lord's Prayer (we say *sin*)
MINUTES FOR MINISTRY
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING
OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD
OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom..." Hymnal 606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOING INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" Hymnal **761**

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

^{*}Those who are able may stand.

WELCOME to worship - we are glad that you're here! If you are visiting today and would like to share your contact information, there are welcome cards in the pew pockets. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate. Everyone is invited to stay for coffee, snacks, and fellowship in the narthex after worship.



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



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



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.

The August communion table flowers are sponsored by Janet and Kelly Blalock.



Eagle River Presbyterian Church August 27, 2023



Welcome to Eagle River Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY August 27, 2023

Weekly Walk

Sunday 10:00 am Worship

Sunday 11:15 am Deacons meeting Wednesday 9:00 am Women's coffee hour

at church

Last week's In-Person Attendance ----- 29

Year-to-Date Regular Income ----- \$127,162.35

Year-to-Date Regular Expenses ----- \$136,264.30



Today we welcome to the pulpit Col. Doug Tollerud from the Salvation Army Church in Anchorage. Together with his wife Sheryl, Col.

Tollerud has been an officer in the Salvation Army for 40 years, serving in Oregon, California, and Alaska. They have served in city, rural, suburban, and metropolitan communities, as well as with cultural ministries in Korean, Portuguese and Spanish.

Next Sunday everyone can begin bringing in items for the garage sale. Donations can be placed in the narthex.

The sale is **Saturday**, **Sept. 9**, **8 am – 1 pm**. Help is needed on Friday and Saturday for set-up, sales, and clean-up. Questions? Contact Nancy Davis, Christian Ed. elder.



Next Sunday our new Interim, Pastor Blake, will lead us in communion. We will begin having nametags available so that he can learn everyone's names.

September 10 is the first day of **Sunday School** for k-6th graders, and teachers are needed! There is a sign-up on the bulletin board. Also on September 10: our welcome luncheon for Pastor Blake and his family. There is a sign-up for that as well.



Allison Denton Lloyd Pool Ruth McNearney Rhys Cottle Jennifer Cottle Simon Kiehl Sandra Charlton **Bill Swears** Chris Woodard Kierin Frick Teri Swears Matthew Hobbie Gay Stewart Melody Musick Jim Mitchell Joanne Banks Kacie Kmak Stephanie Spencer



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Dale and Emily Berry
Dennis and Stephanie Spencer
Bill and Diane Walters
Jeff and Joanne Banks