

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND MINUTES FOR MINISTRY

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations;

People: you have been our home throughout all the ages.

Leader: You were there before the world was made and will be forever.

People: From everlasting to everlasting you are God.

*PRAYER OF INVITATION

*HYMN "Soon and Very Soon" Hymnal 384

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Loving God, we confess that we have sinned against you by not honoring you or one another. When we place our iniquities before you, it is your love that sheds light on our wayward deeds. As we stand in awe of your constancy for us, we ask your forgiveness through the mercy of Christ, in whose name we pray.

Hear us as we pray our personal prayers of confession in silence now...

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader : Sisters and brothers, when we acknowledge our human limitations and turn to depend upon our everlasting

God, we grow wise in heart to God's commands. You are freed to love another.

People: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Pew Bible p.837
	Matthew 25:14-30	Pew Bible p.702

MESSAGE *Pastor Blake Severson*

*HYMN "We Give Thee But Thine Own" Hymnal 708

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, followed by The Lord's Prayer (we say *sin*)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

* "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Hymnal 606

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be" Hymnal 697

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Those who are able please 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 November communion table flowers are sponsored by Jean McCarthy.



Eagle River Presbyterian Church
November 19, 2023



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