

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

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

### WELCOME AND MINUTES FOR MINISTRY

#### PRELUDE

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come in. Feel your feet on the floor.

**People: Settle your worries. Take a deep breath.**

Leader: Dust the cobwebs from your ears.

**People: Relax the tension in your jaw, for Christ is here.**

Leader: God never stops seeking us.

**People: We have been found.**

Leader: Let us find God in return.

**People: Let us worship the God of deep waters.**

#### \*PRAYER OF INVITATION

Leader: We believe in a God of abundance —

**People: a God who sees possibilities where I cannot, and who holds onto hope when I am at the end of my rope.**

Leader: We believe in a God who comforts —

**People: a God who says, “Do not be afraid;” a God who joins me in life’s deep waters.**

Leader: We believe in a God who invites —

**People: a God who says, “Follow me,” and, “You will be fishers of people.”**

Leader: We believe in a God who seeks after us relentlessly and persistently —

**People: a God of second chances and boundless mercy; a God who calls us by name.**

Leader: We believe. Help our unbelief. In Christ’s name we pray.

**All: Amen.**

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

## RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Loving God, You call us by name. You join us in the deep waters of life. You invite us to drop our nets and follow you, and yet, more often than we’d like to admit, we are like Peter. Over and over again, we stand slack jawed and surprised to find you in our midst. Forgive us for drowning out your voice with our own. Forgive us for assuming that we can tackle deep waters by ourselves. Forgive us for forgetting that you will never stop climbing into our boat. Turn our hearts, our minds, and our spirits toward you, for you are the Lord our God, and it is in your name that we pray. Amen.**

#### \*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Friends, Peter didn’t exactly make a good first impression when Jesus got into his boat. He questioned dropping his nets, as they hadn’t caught any fish all night. He was oblivious to who Christ was for quite some time, and once he realized the Divinity standing in his boat, he quickly deemed himself unworthy. And even still, Jesus called Peter a disciple and a friend. Church family, hear and believe this good news: You can make a thousand bad impressions. You can make every mistake in the book, roll your eyes, and assume you know better. And even still, Christ will forgive you, claim you, and continue to seek your heart. That is the good news of the gospel. Rest, celebrate, and trust in that.

**People: Amen.**

### CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

## HEARING THE WORD

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE

**Psalms 25:1-10**

**Luke 5:1-11**

#### MESSAGE

*Pastor Blake Severson*

#### \*HYMN

**“Jesus Calls Us”**

**Hymnal 720**

## 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 "Will You Come and Follow Me" Hymnal 726

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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*\*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.

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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.



The February flowers are sponsored by Nancy and Bruce Davis.



*Eagle River Presbyterian Church*  
*February 18, 2024*



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