

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: From the very beginning, God calls us.

All: God sets us apart with a meaning and a purpose.

Leader: We come up with excuses to avoid our calls, for we are afraid.

All: But God reassures us in many and various ways through the course of our days.

Leader: Even if we are brought to the edge of a cliff,

All: God is with us and sustains us.

Leader: God has held us since our birth.

All: So we are never in the full grasp of the unjust and cruel.

Leader: In love, God saves and supports us.

All: Trusting in God, we continually offer our praise!

*PRAYER OF INVITATION

*HYMN "Jesus Calls Us" Hymnal 720

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God, our Deliverer, we confess that we are too reluctant to speak and to live according to your truth. We grow comfortable with the way things are, passively condoning injustice. We see ourselves as "insiders," excluding those we consider "outsiders." We find it easier to pluck up and pull down, to destroy and overthrow, than to build and to plant. Forgive us, O God, for being timid disciples. Empty us of fear and shame and fill us with love that is humble

and patient and kind. We pray this in the name of the One who humbled himself, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: God has loved us since the beginning, and God's love for us will never end. Do not fear, therefore, but have faith in God's steadfast love, God's healing power, and God's ability to make all things new. By the grace of Christ, God forgives us in love, and calls us to abide in faith, in hope, and in love.

All: Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Pew Bible p.533

Matthew 18:10-14

Pew Bible p.695

MESSAGE

Pastor Blake Severson

*HYMN "Will You Come And Follow Me" Hymnal 726 v.1-4

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER (we say *sin*)

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE (*Gluten-free bread is available on each tray, in a white cup.*)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN "Take Us As We Are, O God" Hymnal 214 v.1,4

GOING INTO THE WORLD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN "Will You Come And Follow Me" Hymnal 726 v.5

*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.

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.



*Eagle River Presbyterian Church
February 2, 2025*



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