

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: Alleluia! Christ is alive.

People: Let all the people praise him.

Leader: Let all creation sing with joy.

All: Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF INVITATION – “A Prayer for the Easter
Season” by Karl Barth

*HYMN “I Come with Joy” Hymnal 515

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**God of mercy, your command to love one another across all
differences opens us to new horizons, yet we often respond
with fear and judgment that hinders your goal for
humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true
repentance that leads to life for all creation. We pray in
Jesus’ name. Amen.**

*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: God’s promises are trustworthy and true; your sins are
forgiven. Be at peace to serve the Lord, and may you always be
known by your love.

All: Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 3:1-17

Pew Bible p.751

Acts 11:1-18

Pew Bible p.779

MESSAGE

Pastor Blake Severson

*HYMN “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” Hymnal 286

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 “My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout” Hymnal 100

*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.

The communion table flowers for May are sponsored by Lucy Witt.

“A Prayer for the Easter Season” by Karl Barth:

Lord God, our Father, you are the light in which there is no darkness. And now you have kindled in us a light that can never be extinguished and that will ultimately drive out all darkness. You are the love that knows no coldness. And now you have loved even us and freed us to love you and each other. You are the life that mocks death. And now you have given us access to this eternal life. You have done all this in Jesus Christ, your Son, our brother. Do not let us remain dull and indifferent to your gift and revelation. Let us see at least something of the riches of your goodness; let it enter into our hearts and minds, and let it enlighten us, uphold us, comfort us, and admonish us! May it lead us into a life dedicated to love. Amen.



*Eagle River Presbyterian Church
May 18, 2025*



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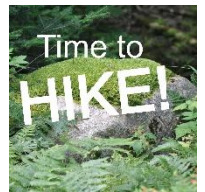
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