

## 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: God, mark us with grace and blessing! Smile!

**People: The whole country will see how you work, all the nations see how you save.**

Leader: God! Let people thank and enjoy you.

**People: Let all far-flung people become happy and shout their happiness.**

Leader: You judge them fair and square, you tend the far-flung peoples.

**People: God! Let people thank and enjoy you.**

Leader: Earth, display your exuberance! You mark us with blessing, O God, our God.

**ALL: You mark us with blessing, O God. May Earth's four corners — honor you!**

#### \*PRAYER OF INVITATION

\*HYMN "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Hymnal 275

### RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Loving God, we confess that we are an anxious people who deny your blessing and fail to keep your word. Forgive us, we pray, for these and all our sins, that we might live in peace and reflect your love in the world; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

#### \*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Let your hearts be still, for God loves you and forgives all your wrongdoing. Beloved, receive the peace of Christ.

**All: Thanks be to God, Amen.**

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### HEARING THE WORD

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE

**John 14:23-29**

Pew Bible p.764

**John 5:1-9**

Pew Bible p.753

#### MESSAGE

*Pastor Blake Severson*

\*HYMN "Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness" Hymnal 314

### 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 "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" Hymnal 354

#### \*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.

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

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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.

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



*Eagle River Presbyterian Church  
May 25, 2025*



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