

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: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

People: let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,

Leader: and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

People: Mindful of the gifts we receive,

Leader: and confident of the sustenance the Lord provides,

All: let us worship God.

*PRAYER OF INVITATION

*HYMN “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!” Hymnal 1

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*CALL TO CONFESSION (Psalm 82)

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of hope, we confess our disregard of your care ... our doubt of your providence ... our blindness to signs of your love. We are afraid to risk our comforts to find new life; we separate ourselves from you and from others and foster divisions between those you love. Help us to amend our lives and make us your faithful people who bear the good fruit of your Word in the world. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: God hears our confession, rejoicing as we desire amendment of life. God lifts us from our despondency to rejoice in the company of the saints. God acknowledges the forces that separate us, and brings us to peace. Rejoice in the knowledge of our reconciliation and a life lived in the presence of God.

All: Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 5:1-7

Pew Bible **p.486**

Luke 12: 49-56

Pew Bible **p.738**

MESSAGE

Pastor Blake Severson

*HYMN “The Church of Christ in Every Age” Hymnal 320

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

"This Is My Song"

Hymnal 340

*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 August are sponsored by Lloyd and Carol Pool.



*Eagle River Presbyterian Church
August 17, 2025*



Welcome to Eagle River Presbyterian Church

August 17, 2025

Weekly Walk

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Session meeting
Wednesday	9:30 am	Coffee fellowship – alternate location

Last week's In-Person Attendance ----- 51

Year-to-Date Regular Income ----- \$166,161.05

Year-to-Date Regular Expenses ----- \$152,656.67

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the school supply drive! The supplies will be delivered to selected Eagle River elementary schools this week.

This Wednesday, the coffee fellowship will be hosted by Debbie Ossiander at her home in Chugiak.

Food Pantry Needs:

-Toiletries, laundry soap, and condiments

-Volunteers to clean the pantry on Saturday or Sunday afternoons. Rinse or wipe out food bins, sweep and mop floor. Approximately 1 - 1 1/2 hours of work (less if multiple people are helping). A sign up is on the bulletin board by the kitchen.

On the Sunday of Labor Day weekend — **August 31st** — we will join with several other churches for a music-focused worship service at **Chugiak United Methodist Church**. The service will begin at 10:15 am. This will be a great opportunity to share in worship and communion with other Christians in our community.