

## 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: Praise God, the Good Shepherd.

**People: In the valley's deep shadows, God's voice guides us.**

Leader: We are God's sheep,

**People: and God never abandons God's own sheep.**

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

\*HYMN "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" Hymnal 248

## RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Gracious God, you give us new life, but we choose the ways of death. You breathe peace upon us, yet we pursue conflict.**

**You seek us out when we are afraid, yet we cling to our fears. Forgive us for turning away from you. Shine your light upon us and banish all shadows, that we may live faithfully and joyfully for you. Amen.**

\*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: In the resurrection of Jesus Christ, God has given us a new birth into a living hope. Rejoice in the good news. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

**Acts 2:41-47**      Pew Bible p.772  
**John 10:1-10**      Pew Bible p.759

MESSAGE "Who Told You That Was God?" *Rev. John Smith*

\* HYMN "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" Hymnal 803

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 with the office, there are welcome cards in the pew pockets. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate during the collection time. 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.

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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 communion table flowers for April are sponsored by Roz and Charlie Rush.



*Eagle River Presbyterian Church  
April 26, 2026*



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## Welcome to Eagle River Presbyterian Church

April 26, 2026

### Weekly Walk

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship
Sunday	10:15 am	Children's Sunday school
Sunday	11:30 am	Adult Sunday school
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Prayer mtg (prayer room)
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Session meeting (narthex)
Wednesday	9:30 am	Coffee hour at church

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Last week's In-Person Attendance ----- 47

Year-to-Date Regular Income ----- \$91,760.74

Year-to-Date Regular Expenses ----- \$80,970.30

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Today we welcome back to the pulpit Rev. John Smith who preached for us last July. He is a chaplain in the Air

Force Reserves and is stationed at JBER, so he gets an Alaskan vacation every year paid for by Uncle Sam! The majority of the year, he resides in the much warmer state of Tennessee with much less summer sunlight. He serves a shared ministry between First Presbyterian Church in Dickson, TN and Ellis Grove Presbyterian Church in Waverly, TN. He is the dance-dad of a daughter that's almost an adult and has two disasters that other people call dogs (a boxer and a pug-nard; feel free to ask after service). Pastor John loves to be outside hiking, hunting, or fishing. He is an avid Whovian and has a goal of having more action figures than books in his office.

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**Adult Sunday school** will meet after worship today. We will be discussing today's sermon Scriptures. All are welcome!



**May 3**, workday in the **food pantry** after worship

**May 8**, **Spring Potluck and Game Night** @ 6pm! Sign up on the bulletin board by the kitchen

**May 17**, after worship we will participate in the **citywide cleanup** by picking up trash in the neighborhood behind the church.

**June 6**, **Walk for Women** – Mission committee chair, Stephanie Spencer, will be away, so if anyone would be willing to organize the ERPC team, please call/text her.

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\* Please be aware that we will be changing the front door code this Friday. Reach out to Elizabeth in the office if you need the new code. \*

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