

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: We gather before the Lord of hosts — the holy God who fills the earth with his glory.

All: Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!

Leader: This holy God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save it.

All: He touches the broken places. He heals. He makes whole.

Leader: And then he sends us — not as judges, but as bearers of his healing grace.

All: The leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. We carry those leaves. Come, let us worship the God who sends.

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN “Be Thou My Vision” Hymnal 450

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Lord God, we confess that we have often gone into the world as judges rather than healers. We have looked at brokenness with impatience instead of compassion. We have held the truth of your gospel like a verdict to pronounce rather than a medicine to offer. Forgive us for the times we have forgotten that you did not send your Son to

condemn the world, but to save it. We cannot heal anyone in our own strength. We come first to receive the coal — to be touched again by your cleansing, your forgiveness, your grace. Take our guilt away. Atone for our sin. And then, Lord, send us. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS:

Leader: Hear what God says to the one who has come honestly before him: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.” (Isaiah 6:7) You are not sent into the world as someone who is still on trial. You are sent as someone who has been healed — who has tasted the water of life and the fruit of the tree. You have something to give, because you have first received. In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE	Isaiah 6:1-8	Pew Bible p.487
	Revelation 22:1-5	Pew Bible p.879

MESSAGE *Pastor Blake Severson*

*HYMN “For the Healing of the Nations” Hymnal 346

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

COMMISSIONING OF PENELOPE HOBBIE

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 "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky" Hymnal 69

*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 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.

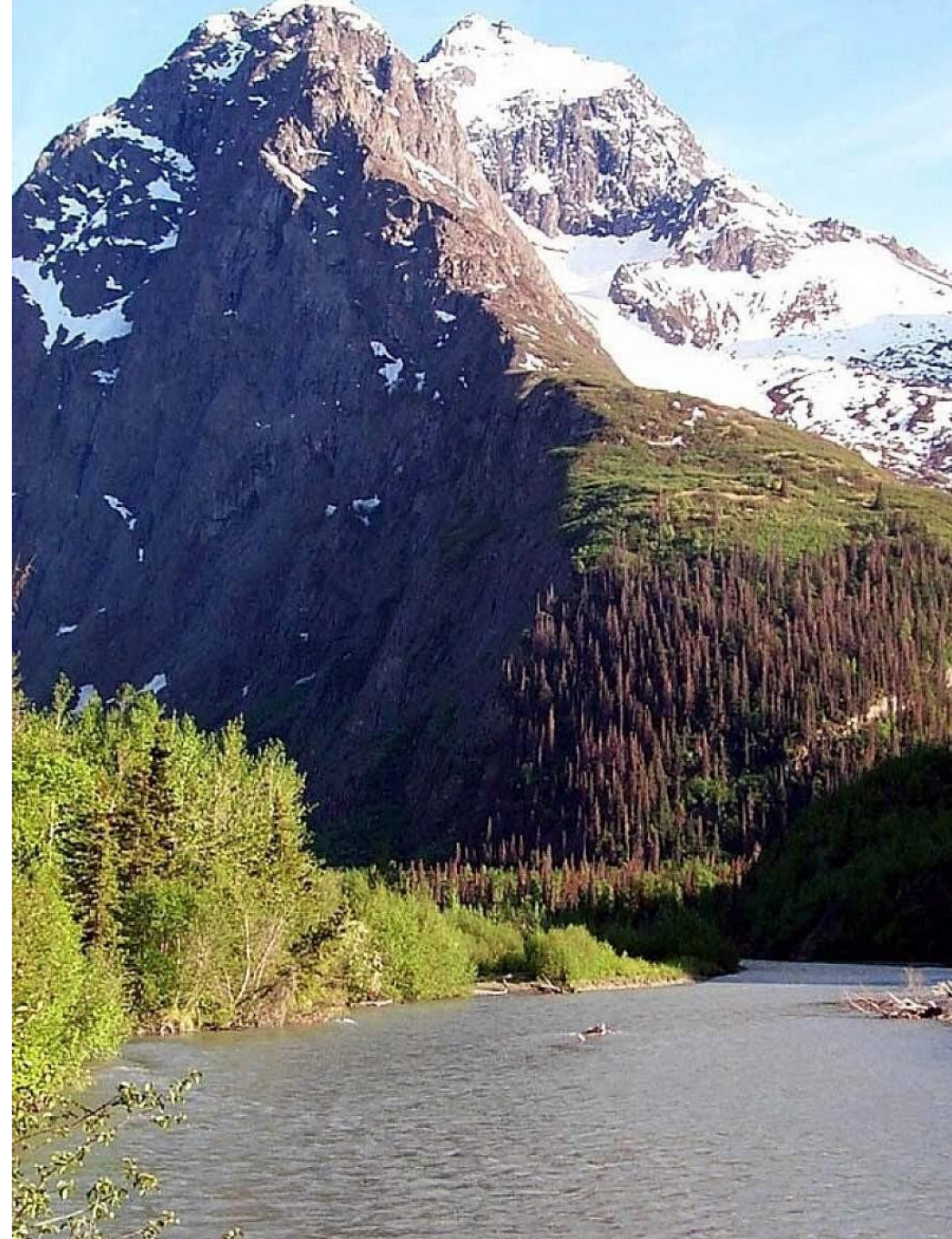


LARGE PRINT HYMNALS with a black cover are on the small bookcase in the rear of the sanctuary.



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 16, 2026*



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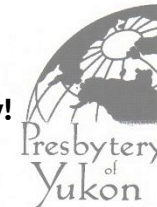
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