



**First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Online Worship**  
**Second Sunday in Lent – February 28, 2021**

**PRELUDE**

**THE WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE**

**TOLLING OF THE HOUR**

**READING OF GOD'S WORD**

**PRAYER**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive)

*Based on 1 Chronicles 29*

Praise be to you, O Lord,  
God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.  
**Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and  
The glory and the majesty and the splendor,  
For everything in heaven and earth is yours,  
Yours, O Lord is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.**  
Wealth and honor come from you;  
You are ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power  
To exalt and give strength to all.  
**Now, our God, we give you thanks,  
And praise your glorious name.**

**HYMN #744**

*"Arise, Your Light is Come"*

1 Arise, your light is come!  
The Spirit's call obey;  
show forth the glory of your God,  
which shines on you today.

2 Arise, your light is come!  
Fling wide the prison door;  
proclaim the captives' liberty,  
good tidings to the poor.

3 Arise, your light is come!  
All you in sorrow born,  
bind up the brokenhearted ones  
and comfort those who mourn.

4 Arise, your light is come!  
The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing;  
God's power will make us strong.

## LENTEN CANDLE RITUAL

### REFLECTION & EXTINGUISHING OF THE SECOND CANDLE

#### PRAYER

#### RESPONSE #695

"Change My Heart, O God"

Change my heart, O God; make it ever true. Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

*Based on Psalm 141*

**Triune God, before your majestic and holy presence I bow the knee of my heart. I acknowledge my sins committed against you and against others. O Lord, I call to you, come quickly to me. Hear my voice when I call to you. May my prayer be set before you like incense; may the lifting up of my hands be like the evening sacrifice. Set a guard over my mouth, O Lord; keep watch over the door of my lips. Let not my heart be drawn to what is evil, to take part in wicked deeds with men who are evildoers; let me not eat of their delicacies. For the sake of your name, wash me, cleanse me, forgive me. Amen.**

(silent confession)

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### RESPONSE #468

"Be Glorified"

1 In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.

In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

2 In your church, Lord, be glorified; be glorified.

In your church, Lord, be glorified today.

## CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH

*The Westminster Confession Shorter Catechism*

Q. 6. How many persons are there in the Godhead?

**A. There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.** (1 John 5.7; Matthew 28.19)

## ANTHEM

"On Eagle's Wings"

Michael Joncas

## SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 40:25-31

"To whom then will you compare Me That I would be his equal?" says the Holy One.

<sup>26</sup> Raise your eyes on high And see who has created these stars, The One who brings out their multitude by number, He calls them all by name; Because of the greatness of His might and the strength of His power, Not one of them is missing. <sup>27</sup> Why do you say, Jacob, and you assert, Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, And the justice due me escapes the notice of my God"? <sup>28</sup> Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The Everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth Does not become weary or tired. His understanding is unsearchable. <sup>29</sup> He gives strength to the weary, And to the one who lacks might He increases power. <sup>30</sup> Though youths grow weary and tired, And vigorous young men stumble badly, <sup>31</sup> Yet those who wait for the LORD Will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary.

## **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

### **SERMON**

**“The Incomparability of God’s Pastoral Care”**

**Rev. Rivera**

### **HYMN #834**

**“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”**

1 Precious Lord, take my hand;  
lead me on, help me stand;  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.  
Through the storm, through the night,  
lead me on to the light;  
take my hand, precious Lord,  
lead me home.

2 When my way grows drear,  
precious Lord, linger near;  
when my life is almost gone,  
hear my cry, hear my call,  
hold my hand lest I fall;  
Take my hand, precious Lord,  
lead me home.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## **INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS**

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

#### **HYMN**

**“May You Run and Not Be Weary”**

May you run and not be weary  
May your heart be filled with song  
And may the love of God  
Continue to give you hope  
And keep you strong  
And may you run and not be weary  
May your life be filled with joy  
And may the road you travel  
Always lead you home

## **BENEDICTION**

## **POSTLUDE**

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***Participants in this worship service:***

The Rev. Anthony Rivera, pastor  
Shaun Cloonan, minister of music  
Sunny Sakai, pianist  
Elder John Foster, videographer

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**IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES**

- everyone must wear a mask properly
- there is a 50-person maximum capacity in the sanctuary, including the pastor and worship staff
- refrain from singing, handshaking, and hugging
- please move personal discussions after the service outdoors to avoid inside gatherings
- please observe social distancing in the pews - space apart from each other in the marked pews

We understand that each person is different with risks he or she may have.  
Live-streamed online worship will continue to be available on Facebook and YouTube  
for those who choose to stay home until they feel safe to rejoin in person.



*Believing we are called together by God's love through Jesus Christ,  
our mission as the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood is to  
love God, to love each other, and to love our neighbors.*