

# First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Worship Second Sunday after Epiphany - January 16, 2022

\*All who are able, please stand.

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE**

#### **TOLLING OF THE HOUR**

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Psalm 36:5-10

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

#### \*HYMN #59

"The Steadfast Love"

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end. They are new every morning, new every morning; great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness. (repeat)

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

Loving Lord, you show us your care in so much of life around us. You invite us you're your great life of love. But often we refuse your invitation and turn away from your call. We have not loved one another as Christ loved us. We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven. We have not given ourselves in love and service for the world, as Christ gave himself for us. Forgive us, we pray. By your Holy Spirit, grant us the power to live as bearers of your peace and love, through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Silent Confession)

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you; **and also with you.**(For the safety of all, please share the peace with a smile or wave from your seat.)

#### \*RESPONSE #582

"Glory to God"

- 1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

  As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
- 2 World without end, without end. Amen. (sing 3 times)
  As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

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## **GATHERING SONG**

"As We Gather"

As we gather may your Spirit work within us. As we gather may we glorify your name. Knowing well that as our hearts begin to worship, we'll be blessed because we came, we'll be blessed because we came.

**SCRIPTURE** Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. <sup>2</sup> The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup> You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup> You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. <sup>5</sup> For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

#### \*HYMN #263

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

- 1 All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!
- 2 Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

  Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
- 3 Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

  To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!
- 4 O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
  We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!
  We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

**SCRIPTURE** John 2:1-12

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup> Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup> When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup> and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup> Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him. <sup>12</sup> After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother, his brothers, and his disciples; and they remained there a few days.

SERMON "Sign of Love" Rev. Bob Ruefle

#### \*HYMN #505

"The Feast is Ready"

1 The trumpets sound; the angels sing; the feast is ready to begin.The gates of heaven are open wide, and Jesus welcomes you inside.

#### Refrain:

Sing with thankfulness songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in heaven's love and light.
Take your place at the table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin; the feast is ready to begin.

- 2 Tables are laden with good things; O taste the peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love divine; he'll turn your water into wine. (Refrain)
- 3 The hungry heart he satisfies, offers the poor his paradise.

  Now hear all heaven and earth applaud the amazing goodness of the Lord.

  (Refrain)

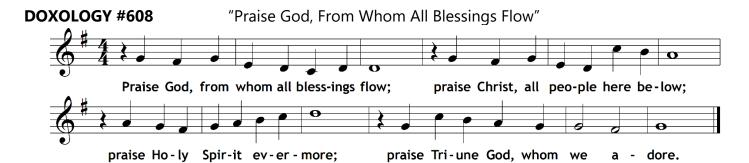
#### SHARING OF THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REQUESTS

#### 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.

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#### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### \*HYMN #699

Refrain:

Fill my cup; let it overflow; fill my cup; let it overflow; fill my cup; let it overflow; let it overflow with love.

"Fill My Cup"

- 1 Lord, let me be your instrument, spreading sunshine in the land; let people see your works in me; help me live the best I can. (Refrain)
- 2 It's my desire to live for you and to always walk upright; give me the strength to face each day; stay with me through each dark night. (Refrain)

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE**

# Participants in this worship service:

The Rev. Bob Ruefle, guest pastor | Lorraine Douthett, liturgist Shaun Cloonan, minister of music | Sunny Sakai, pianist John Foster, videographer

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# Welcome! Thanks be to God for allowing us to worship with you!

IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES: While Allegheny County is in the high transmission rate for COVID-19, the Worship Committee has established safety protocols for in-person worship following CDC recommendations as follows:

- Properly worn masks are required for all those attending and leading worship regardless of vaccination status
- Please continue to observe social distancing in the marked pews
- **Congregational singing may continue while masked.** You are welcome to use the hymnals in the pews, stand and join in singing of hymns and responses. Lyrics will continue to be printed in the bulletin for those following along online.

We understand that each person is different with the possible 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.

IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US TODAY: first, welcome! Please fill out a blue visitor's card found in the pew rack. If you are interested in being on our email or newsletter mailing lists, provide that information so we can keep in touch. We hope you consider joining us more often!

WE WELCOME BACK TO OUR PULPIT the Rev. Bob Ruefle as guest pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. Please join us after worship next Sunday, January 23, 2022 for our annual congregational meeting to review the 2021 Annual Report and final 2022 budget passed by Session as well as elect the remaining slate of nominees for church offices. All active members of FPCE are asked to attend.

MUSIC MINISTRY PAUSE. Due to the surge in COVID cases related to the Omicron variant in Allegheny County and for the safety of all, the Sanctuary Choir and Emerging Worship Ensemble will not meet for rehearsals or participate in our worship services for the next several weeks. We will revert back to having just Sunny and Shaun lead music in the weekly service. Once the transmission rate decreases and safety risks are lowered, we will resume our fuller worship participation. Please continue to practice social distancing, masking, and if you don't feel well or safe, stay at home and join us via the Livestream on Facebook.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Monday, January 17 in observance of the holiday.

BOOK CLUB CONTINUES, "Stranger in the Lifeboat" by Mitch Albom, 10:00AM, Tuesdays at the home of Rhonda Apessos, 361 Maple Avenue, Edgewood.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ZOOM BIBLE STUDY RESUMES THIS WEEK: Join Elder Tim Hoffman for a weekly one-hour bible study discussing the stories of Elijah and Elisha held on Zoom at 7:00pm Wednesday nights. https://pitt.zoom.us/j/6670286724 No password is needed. Just copy paste the link into your browser and load the page. You will be automatically placed into a waiting room then brought into the main room by the host and moderator, Tim Hoffman. Email HoffmanTL@gmail.com with questions.

ANNUAL REPORTS from ministries and committees were due to Judy in the office by January 15. Please email your report to office@fpcedgewood.org.

NEED A LIFT? The Session is aware that a few of our members are unable to drive themselves to worship and want to offer some assistance. If you could benefit from a ride to worship on Sunday mornings, please contact the church office. Likewise, if you can OFFER a ride to someone, please let us know!

RECYCLE BINS are located in the last pew in sanctuary and blue bin at side vestibule entrance for bulletins, cups, (list of what is accepted is posted on bins).

#### **UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

January 23 – Ordination & Installation of Officers, Rev. Bob Ruefle preaching, Annual Meeting follows worship

January 30 – Jason Dauer preaching

February 6 – Scout Sunday/Communion

# **CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

AH=Apessos Home, B=Basement Band Room, C=Choir Room, GP=Gathering Place, L=Lounge, O=Office, PS=Pastor's Study, S=Sanctuary, Sc=Scout Room, SL=Side Lawn, SR=Social Room

# Monday, January 17 (office closed)

6:30PM Scouts (Sc/SR)

7:00PM Vocal Confluence (S)

# Tuesday, January 18

10:00AM Book Club (AH)

7:00PM Edgewood Symphony Orchestra (S)

8:00PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

# Wednesday, January 19

7:00PM Bible Study (Zoom)

# Thursday, January 20

5:00PM Flute Lesson (L) 7:00PM Milepost6 (B)

# Friday, January 21

5:00PM Flute Lesson (L)

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

## Saturday, January 22

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

# Next Sunday, January 23

11:00AM Worship (S)

Youth Sunday School (GP)

12:15PM Congregational Meeting (S)

# How can you become involved?

As we reopen, working to rebuild and reimagine the ministries at FPCE, consider if you have a heart for:

- Encouraging our younger members
- Learning more about God & faith
- Praising God through music
- Serving senior citizens
- Working in publicity/advertising

...please contact a member of our FPCE Family listed below for more details on how to become involved!

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The Entire Congregation



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.