



First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Online Worship
Second Sunday after Epiphany – January 17, 2021

PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Based on Psalm 24

The earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains,
 The world, and those who dwell in it.
For He has founded it upon the seas
And established it upon the rivers.
 Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD?
 And who may stand in His holy place?
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
Who has not lifted up his soul to falsehood
And has not sworn deceitfully.
 He shall receive a blessing from the LORD
 And righteousness from the God of his salvation.
This is the generation of those who seek Him,
Who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

HYMN #623

"I've Got Peace Like a River"

1 I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul. I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul.	2 I've got joy like a fountain; 3 I've got love like an ocean;
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CALL TO CONFESSION

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN (unison)

We confess to thee, Almighty and most Holy God, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own fault, our own most grievous faults. We acknowledge our want of faithfulness in holy service, our want of discipline and obedience, our want of love. Wherefore we pray thee, O God, have mercy upon us, for the sake of Jesus, thy dear Son, our Lord. Amen.
 (silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

SCRIPTURE**Ephesians 2:11-18**

¹¹ So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— ¹² remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵ He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.

ANTHEM #373**"O Day of Peace"**

1 O day of peace that dimly shines
through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,
guide us to justice, truth, and love,
delivered from our selfish schemes.
May swords of hate fall from our hands,
our hearts from envy find release,
till by God's grace our warring world
shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.

2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb,
nor shall the fierce devour the small;
as beasts and cattle calmly graze,
a little child shall lead them all.
Then enemies shall learn to love,
all creatures find their true accord;
the hope of peace shall be fulfilled,
for all the earth shall know the Lord.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**SERMON****"Through the Cross"****The Rev. Anthony Rivera****HYMN #649****"Amazing Grace"**

1 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come.

'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

4 The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

5 When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN #530

"One Bread, One Body"

Refrain:

One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.

1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more. (Refrain)

2 Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all. (Refrain)

3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all. (Refrain)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Jesus said: Come to me all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens
and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me;

For I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

I am the bread of life.

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,

Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING PRAYER

INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN #300

"We are One in the Spirit"

1 We are one in the Spirit;
we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit;
we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity
may one day be restored:

Refrain:

And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

2 We will walk with each other;
we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other;

we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news
that God is in our land: (Refrain)

3 We will work with each other;
we will work side by side;
we will work with each other;
we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity
and save human pride: (Refrain)

4 All praise to the Father,
from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
(Refrain)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Participants in this worship service:

The Rev. Anthony Rivera, pastor

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our mission as the First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood is to
love God, to love each other, and to love our neighbors.*