

First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Worship Seventh Sunday after Pentecost – July 11, 2021

*All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

READING OF GOD'S WORD

Hebrews 9.1-15

PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing."

And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying,

"To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever."

And the four living creatures kept saying, "Amen."

And the elders fell down and worshiped.

*SONG

"Spirit Song"

- 1 Oh, let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love;
 Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul Oh, let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit, like a dove,
 Will descend upon your life and make you whole
 Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs
 Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs
- 2 Oh, come and sing the song with gladness as your hearts are filled with joy
 Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name
 Oh, give him all your tears and sadness,
 give him all your years of pain,
 And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name
 Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs
 Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul, my heart, my life.

My feet came close to stumbling, my steps had almost slipped.

In thought, words, and deeds I have sinned against You and those around me.

I recognize my transgressions.

Humbly I come before Your Presence. Wash me. Cleanse me.

For Your Name's sake, forgive. (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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.

CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH

The Westminster Confession Shorter Catechism

Q. 25. How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

A. Christ executes the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

(Heb. 9:14, 28; Heb. 2:17; Heb. 7:24-25)

*SONG

"You are My All in All"

1 You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all.

Seeking you as a precious jewel; Lord, to give up I'd be a fool;

2 Taking my sin, my cross, my shame; rising again I bless your name; you are my all in all.

When I fall down you pick me up; when I am dry you fill my cup;

you are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name! Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name!

SCRIPTURE

John 1.29-34

²⁹ The next day he *saw Jesus coming to him and *said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰ This is He on behalf of whom I said, 'After me comes a Man who has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.' ³¹ I did not recognize Him, but so that He might be manifested to Israel, I came baptizing in water." ³² John testified saying, "I have seen the Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven, and He remained upon Him. ³³ I did not recognize Him, but He who sent me to baptize in water said to me, 'He upon whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining upon Him, this is the One who baptizes in the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴ I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*HYMN #688

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My. Heart"

- 1 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth, through all its pulses move; stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.
- 2 I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay, no angel visitant, no opening skies; but take the dimness of my soul away.
- 3 Hast thou not bid us love thee,
 God and King;
 all, all thine own, soul, heart,
 and strength, and mind?
 I see thy cross;
 there teach my heart to cling.
 O let me seek thee, and O let me find!
- 4 Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh. Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear, to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh. Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.
- 5 Teach me to love thee
 as thine angels love,
 one holy passion filling all my frame;
 the baptism of the
 heaven-descended Dove,
 my heart an altar,
 and thy love the flame.

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 #518

"Lamb of God"

1 Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent him from your side to walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God.

Refrain:

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God!
O wash me in his precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

- 2 Your gift of love, we crucified; we laughed and scorned him as he died; the humble King we named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God. (Refrain)
- 3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side to be led by your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God. (Refrain)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Participants in this worship service:

The Rev. Anthony Rivera, pastor
Mandy Rineer, vocalist | Sunny Sakai, pianist

John Foster & Tim Hoffman, videographers | Judy Mysels, greeter

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IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES: REVISED JUNE 8, 2021

- those who are not vaccinated must wear a mask properly; vaccinated individuals may choose not to wear a mask
- please continue to observe social distancing in the marked pews
- As of June 20, congregational singing has resumed. 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.

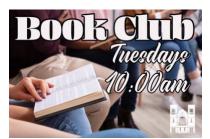
We understand that each person is different with the possible risks he or she may have. Live-streamed online worship will continue to be available on Facebook and YouTube for those who choose to stay home until they feel safe to rejoin in person.

Weekly Group Meetings

We will continue our weekly gatherings on Zoom or in person for prayer, discussion, and study.

On Mondays at 7:30pm, we gather for intentional prayer focusing on our members, community, and world. Tuesday mornings at 10:00am is the weekly Book Club meeting, which has moved back to in-person meetings at Rhonda Apessos' home on Maple Avenue. And Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm is an online Bible study focusing on Jesus' parables, led by Pastor Tony.







An e-mail invitation is sent out weekly with Zoom links, meeting ID and passcode. To be added to the email list, contact the office. And if you don't use Zoom on your device, you can call in to the meetings to participate by voice. Call Judy in the office to receive the number, meeting ID and passcode to participate if you don't receive the email.



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.