

### First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Worship Fifth Sunday after Pentecost – June 27, 2021

\*All who are able, please stand.

#### **PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE** 

**TOLLING OF THE HOUR** 

**READING OF GOD'S WORD** 

Exodus 40.34-38

#### **PRAYER**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

From Psalm 147

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; Sing praises to our God on the lyre, Who covers the heavens with clouds, Who provides rain for the earth, Who makes grass to grow on the mountains.

He gives to the beast its food, And to the young ravens which cry.

He does not delight in the strength of the horse; He does not take pleasure in the legs of a man.

The Lord favors those who fear Him, Those who wait for His lovingkindness.

#### Come, let us worship the Triune God!

#### \*HYMN #2

- 1 Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise:
  Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.
- 2 Come, thou incarnate Word, merciful, mighty Lord, our prayer attend. Come, and thy people bless,
- "Come, Thou Almighty King" and give thy word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.
- 3 Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.
- 4 To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore!

  Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

Surely, God, you are good, to those who are pure in heart.

But as for me, my feet came close to stumbling, my steps had almost slipped.

In thought, words, and deeds I have sinned and 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. 23. What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

A. Christ, as our Redeemer, executes the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in his estate of humiliation and exaltation.

(Acts 3:21-22; Heb. 12:25 with 2 Cor. 13:3; Heb. 5:5-7; Heb. 7:25; Ps. 2:6; Isa. 9:6-7; Matt. 21:5; Ps. 2:8-11)

#### **ANTHEM #108**

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

- 1 Of the Father's love begotten, ere the worlds began to be, he is Alpha and Omega; he the source, the ending he, of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see, evermore and evermore!
- 2 By his Word was all created; he commanded; it was done: heaven and earth and depths of ocean, universe of three in one, all that sees the moon's soft shining, all that breathes beneath the sun, evermore and evermore!
- 3 O, that birth forever blessed when the Virgin, full of grace, by the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race, and the babe, the world's Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face, evermore and evermore!

- 4 This is he whom seers in old time chanted of with one accord, whom the voices of the prophets promised in their faithful word. Now he shines, the long-expected. Let creation praise its Lord, evermore and evermore!
- 5 O ye heights of heaven, adore him.
  Angel hosts, his praises sing.
  Powers, dominions, bow before him, and extol our God and King.
  Let no tongue on earth be silent; every voice in concert ring, evermore and evermore!
- 6 Christ, to thee with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee, hymn and chant and high thanksgiving and unwearied praises be.
  Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory, evermore and evermore! Amen.

SCRIPTURE John 1.14-18

<sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us; and we saw His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup> John testified about Him and called out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who is coming after me has proved to be my superior, because He existed before me.'" <sup>16</sup> For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup> For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> No one has seen God at any time; God the only Son, who is in the arms of the Father, He has explained Him.

"Amazing Grace"

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SERMON "The Word Became Flesh"

**Rev. Tony Rivera** 

- \*HYMN #649
  - 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.

## INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### \*HYMN #634

1 To God be the glory; great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

"To God be the Glory"

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory: great things he has done!

2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

# \*BENEDICTION POSTLUDE

#### Participants in this worship service:

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

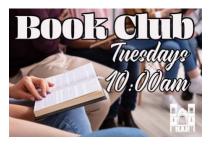
We understand that each person is different with the possible risks he or she may have. Live-streamed online worship will continue to be available on Facebook and YouTube for those who choose to stay home until they feel safe to rejoin in person.

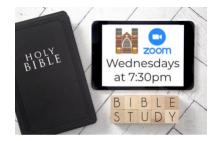
#### **Weekly Group Meetings**

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.