

## First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Emerging Worship Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 15, 2022

\*All who are able, please stand.

#### WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

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

Jesus has given us a new commandment:

We are commanded to love one another.

Just as Christ has loved us.

So we ought to have love for one another.

By this, everyone will know we are Christ's disciples:

By our love for one another.

Come, may we join our hearts in worship:

Worship God by loving one another.

#### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (unison)

Loving God, we are in awe of your magnificent power displayed through the entire universe, for through you all things were made and all things have their being. We come before you with grateful thanks and with hearts that long to adore you and worship only you. Lord, may we know the presence of the Holy Spirit here with us today. May we be open to your leading, sensitive to you speaking and alert to your calling. Father, we invite the same power that was at work when Jesus was raised from the grave to be present with us here now. Lord, we declare that you are welcome here amongst us. Amen.

#### \*SONG

"Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet"

1 Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet, praise the Lord with the harp and lute, praise the Lord with the gentle sounding flute.

Praise the Lord in the field and forest, praise the Lord in the city square, praise the Lord anytime and anywhere.

Praise the Lord in the wind and sunshine, praise the Lord in the dark of night, praise the Lord in the rain or snow or in the morning light.

Praise the Lord in the deepest valley, praise the Lord on the highest hill, praise the Lord, never let your voice be still.

2 Praise the Lord with the crashing cymbal, praise the Lord with the pipe and string, praise the Lord with the joyful songs you sing.

Praise the Lord on a weekday morning, praise the Lord on a Sunday noon,

praise the Lord by the light of sun or moon.

Praise the Lord in the time of sorrow, praise the Lord in the time of joy,

praise the Lord every moment, nothing let your praise destroy.

Praise the Lord in the peace and quiet, praise the Lord in your work or play,

praise the Lord everywhere in every way!

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

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you; you call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We have gone along with evil, with pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness. Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves, so that, as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Silent Confession)

#### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

## \*RESPONSE #582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines"

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. (x3)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you: and also with you.

#### GATHERING SONG

"Because He Lives"

refrain only

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow. Because He lives, all fear is gone.

Because I know He holds the future and life is worth a living just because He lives!

## SCRIPTURE Psalm 148

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

- <sup>2</sup> Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!
- <sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!
- <sup>4</sup> Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the heavens!
- <sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created.
- <sup>6</sup> He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

- <sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps,
- 8 fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!
- <sup>9</sup> Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!
- Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!
- <sup>11</sup> Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!
- <sup>12</sup> Young men and women alike, old and young together!
- <sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.
- <sup>14</sup> He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him.

Praise the LORD!

#### **SONG**

**SCRIPTURE** 

"How Majestic is Your Name"

- O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.
- O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth.
- O Lord, we praise your name. O Lord, we magnify your name:

Prince of Peace, mighty God; O Lord God Almighty.

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:31-35

#### **SERMON**

### "A New Commandment – Or Is It?"

**Heather Henkel** 

#### **SONG**

"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)

#### SHARING 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.

# INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

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Grateful for your radical hospitality and steadfast love we present these gifts to you, God. Use them to further your will and transform our world into your new, redeemed creation. Amen.

#### \*SONG

"You Shall Go Out With Joy"

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth before you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands; the trees of the field will clap their hands while you go out with joy.

#### **BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE**

We invite you to sit and enjoy the postlude Sunny has prepared for us. This also helps with the live-streamed recording to have clear audio for those joining us in worship online.

#### Participants in this worship service:

Heather Henkel, guest pastor | Marcia Haley, liturgist | Sunny Sakai, pianist The Emerging Worship Ensemble | John Foster, videographer

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This service may be found posted on our website at **www.fpcedgewood.org**, on our **YouTube channel**, or audio only on our SoundCloud channel at **www.soundcloud.com/fpcedgewood** 



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

MARCH 2022 REVISED IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES:

- Masks are now optional for all in attendance. We will continue to have a supply of disposable masks at the entrances to the church for those who wish to wear one during services.
- Please continue to social distance in the marked pews.
- Out of respect for those who choose or need to continue wearing masks, our practice of passing
  the peace and sharing communion from our seats, as well as collecting the offering at the
  entrance to the sanctuary will not change.

We will continue to monitor cases and transmission levels and will relax or strengthen this guidance as health and safety protocols dictate. Thanks to all for their cooperation in keeping our church family healthy and safe. 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.

WE WELCOME BACK TO OUR PULPIT Heather Henkel as guest pastor this morning.

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!

BOOK CLUB MEETS WEEKLY, discussing "Have a Little Faith" by Mitch Albom. 10:00AM, Tuesdays at the home of Rhonda Apessos, 361 Maple Avenue, Edgewood.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ZOOM BIBLE STUDY: 7:00PM at https://pitt.zoom.us/j/6670286724 No password is needed. Email Tim Hoffman at HoffmanTL@gmail.com with questions.

ON SATURDAY, MAY 21, FPCE will welcome the Munhall Community Band to our sanctuary for their spring concert. Mandy Rineer and Jim Segedy both play with this ensemble. Enjoy concert band performances of music by Holst, Mozart, Led Zeppelin, Pink Floyd, Brubeck, Borges, Miranda, and more! Doors open at 4:30 pm. Raffle baskets will be available to support MCB. 5:00PM in the Sanctuary, free admission with registration at munhallband.org.

NOTICE OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: May 22, following morning worship, there will be a short Congregational Meeting to elect additional officers.

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!

#### JOIN US FOR UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES:

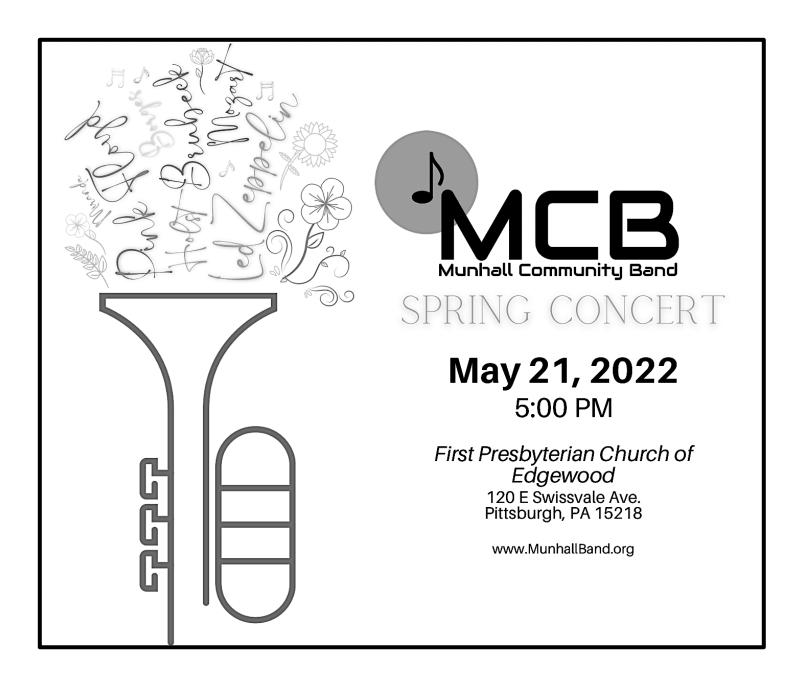
May 22 – Sixth Sunday of Easter, Rev. Bob Ruefle preaching, Congregational Meeting follows

May 29 – Seventh Sunday of Easter, Rev. Jane Duffield preaching, Memorial Day Observance

June 5 – Pentecost, Emerging Worship, Hunter Steinitz preaching (summer 10AM worship begins)

June 12 – Trinity Sunday, Rebecca Abbott preaching

June 19 – Father's Day, Communion, Rev. Chris Taylor preaching, Donuts for Dads follows



## **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

Today, Sunday, May 15

12:00PM Fellowship (GP)

7:30PM PNC Meeting (Zoom)

Monday, May 16

6:30PM Scouts (Sc/SR)

7:00PM Vocal Confluence (S)

Tuesday, May 17

10:00AM Book Club (AH)

Wednesday, May 18

7:00PM Bible Study (Zoom)

Thursday, May 19

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

Friday, May 20

5:00PM Flute Lesson (L)

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Saturday, May 21

5:00PM Munhall Community Band Concert (S)

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Next Sunday, May 22

9:30AM Choir Rehearsal (S)

11:00AM Worship (S)

Youth Sunday School (GP)

12:00PM Congregational Meeting (S)

12:15PM Fellowship (GP)

## 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.