



First Presbyterian Church of Edgewood Worship Seventh Sunday of Easter – May 29, 2022

*All who are able, please stand.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & SHARING OF CHURCH LIFE

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

We come into your presence, O God,

though we find it difficult to leave our pressing concerns behind.

We come into your presence, and we remember how grateful we are.

**We look up at the star-filled heavens,
we experience a laughing child at play,
and our thanksgiving is wholehearted.**

We come into your presence, and we rejoice in this worshipping faith community.

**As the prayers are offered, praise sung, the peace passed,
and the Word read, we know we are faithfully at home.**

*HYMN #816

“If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee”

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee,
with hopeful heart through all thy ways,
God will give strength, whate'er betide thee,
to bear thee through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love
builds on the rock that nought can move.

2 Only be still, and wait God's leisure
in cheerful hope, with heart content
to take whate'er thy Keeper's pleasure

and all-discerning love hath sent.
No doubt our inmost wants are clear
to One who holds us always dear.

3 Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways,
but do thine own part faithfully.
Trust the rich promises of grace;
so shall they be fulfilled in thee.
God never yet forsook at need
the soul secured by trust indeed.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in the promise of grace, let us tell the whole truth about ourselves and beg God's mercy for the renewal and amendment of our lives.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors, to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the whole world. Amen. (Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In the compassion of God who prays for us, with us and in us, you are forgiven.

*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. (3x)
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.**
(Please share the peace as you feel comfortable.)

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 the living just because He lives!

SCRIPTURE

John 17:20-26

²⁰I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

ANTHEM

"Steal Away"

Hymn #358

SCRIPTURE

Acts 16:16-34

¹⁶One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. ¹⁷While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." ¹⁸She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. ¹⁹But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged

them into the marketplace before the authorities. ²⁰When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews ²¹and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." ²²The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. ²³After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. ²⁴Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. ²⁵About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. ²⁷When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" ³¹They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³²They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. ³⁴He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

SERMON

"Shaking Things Up!"

Rev. Jane Duffield

*HYMN #661

"His Eye is on the Sparrow"

1 Why should I feel discouraged?
 Why should the shadows come?
 Why should my heart be lonely
 and long for heaven and home,
 when Jesus is my portion?
 My constant friend is he:
 his eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me;
 his eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me.

Refrain:

I sing because I'm happy,
 I sing because I'm free,
 for his eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me.

2 "Let not your heart be troubled,"
 his tender word I hear,
 and resting on his goodness,

I lose my doubts and fears;
 though by the path he leadeth
 but one step I may see:
 his eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me;
 his eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me. (Refrain)

3 Whenever I am tempted,
 whenever clouds arise,
 when song gives place to sighing,
 when hope within me dies,
 I draw the closer to him,
 from care he sets me free:
 his eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me;
 his eye is on the sparrow,
 and I know he watches me. (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.

INVITATION TO RECEIVE OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

With joy and gladness, we dedicate our offerings to the service of Jesus. May these gifts enable our worship, witness, and mission so that others may come to know them and accept Christ's saving grace. And we dedicate ourselves, O God, so that you might use us as ambassadors of your love. Amen.

***HYMN #331**

"God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

- 1 God of the ages, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.
- 2 Thy love divine hath led us in the past.
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay:
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.
- 3 From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
be thy strong arm our ever sure defense.
Thy true religion in our hearts increase.
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.
- 4 Refresh thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never-ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

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.

Please join us across the street at Memorial Park immediately following worship as the Edgewood Veterans present a Memorial Day Service that includes recognizing those who made donations for the gazebo and purchased bricks for the park.

Participants in this worship service:

The Rev. Jane Duffield, guest pastor | **Elder Flo Raisig**, liturgist
Shaun Cloonan, minister of music | **Sunny Sakai**, pianist | **The Sanctuary Choir**
John Foster, videographer

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or audio only on our SoundCloud channel at www.soundcloud.com/fpcedgewood



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

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.

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!

THIS MORNING, WE WELCOME back to our pulpit the Rev. Jane Duffield as guest pastor.

TODAY IS THE LAST SUNDAY that the Sanctuary Choir will sing during worship until the fall.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, May 30 in observance of the holiday.

BOOK CLUB MEETS WEEKLY, discussing "Pilgrims Progress in Today's English" by John Bunyan 10:00AM, Tuesdays at the home of Rhonda Apossos, 361 Maple Avenue, Edgewood.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ZOOM BIBLE STUDY is on a summer break until September.

OUR FIRST COMMUNITY DINNER is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 1 from 6-8PM**. We will need help with side dishes, desserts, set up, tear down. Call the Church Office.

NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 5 starts our Summer worship beginning at 10AM, followed by a Deacon Meeting and fellowship. It is also Pentecost, when we celebrate the birthday of the church as the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles as "tongues of fire." We encourage you to wear **RED** to symbolize the fire of the Holy Spirit and join our Emerging Worship celebration!

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The Deacons' annual Strawberry Festival returns in-person this summer! They held a modified version as take-out only last summer, but plans are underway to hold the event both inside and outside on Wednesday, June 15 from 6-8PM. More details to come after next week's Deacon meeting after worship!

UPCOMING WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 5 – **SUMMER WORSHIP BEGINS AT 10AM**, Pentecost, Emerging Worship,
Hunter Steinitz preaching, assisted by Rhonda Apossos as liturgist

June 12 – Trinity Sunday, Rebecca Abbott preaching, assisted by Lorraine Douthett as liturgist

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

June 26 – Rev. Bob Ruefle preaching, assisted by Rick Masten as liturgist



Community
MEALS

We're Back...The Community Dinners are back. Yes, after our little COVID break, we'll again be hosting the ever-popular FPCE Community Dinners starting in June!

Save the Dates: The First Wednesdays of June, July, August, and September, from 6–8PM we'll be firing up the grill on the side lawn with your favorites, plus some new, soon-to-be-favorites. And, as usual, they're FREE! So bring your family, friends and neighbors for good food and fellowship!!!

June 1	Hamburgers, Hot Dogs (of course there will be meatless versions for those who prefer that), and all the fixins'
July 6	Sausage & Pierogi Fest
August 3	BBQ (Ribs, Brisket, Chicken, Pulled Pork)
September 7	Burgers and Dogs or Something Yummy.

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 29

12:00PM Memorial Day Observance (MP)
12:15PM Fellowship (GP)

Memorial Day, Monday, May 30

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

6:30PM Scouts (Sc/SR)
7:00PM PNC Meeting (Zoom)

Tuesday, May 31

10:00AM Book Club (AH)

Thursday, June 2

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

Friday, June 3

5:00PM Flute Lesson (L)
8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Saturday, June 4

8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous (SR)

Next Sunday, Pentecost, June 5

9:00AM Worship Ensemble (S)
10:00AM Summer Emerging Worship (S)
Youth Sunday School (GP)
11:00AM Deacon Meeting (S)
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



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The Community Church



*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.*

