October 22, 2023

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Instrumental

WELCOME

*WORDS OF BLESSING

*HYMN #442 "The Church's One Foundation"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Shout with joy to God, all the earth! Remember that our

God is the only God—

People: the One who made us, the One who sustains us, and the One whose Spirit lives within us.

Leader: Let's enter God's house with thanksgiving; and come into

God's presence with praise.

People: For God is good, with unfailing love that lasts forever, and faithfulness that extends to all generations.

Leader: Let's worship God!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, you are our shepherd, and yet we think we need more. We lie down when we could act. We stir the pot when we could offer peace. We wander tempting paths instead of following you. We seek courage and comfort in earthly things rather than in you. We hate our enemies and refuse to break bread with them. We see scarcity even when you offer us abundance. [... silent person confession . . .] We pray for forgiveness, for your goodness and mercy, so that we might dwell in you and your grace, forever. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

MUSIC "Holy Spirit"

Praise Band

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON "Done"

Scripture: Nehemiah 6:1-4, 15-19

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

Creator God, from the beginning of time, you have revealed yourself as the One who brings order out of chaos. You take what is broken and make it into something new and beautiful. Build and restore us, O Lord. Take the broken-down places of our lives and our world and build them up, not so that we can hide behind walls of protection, but that from places of peace and safety, we can testify to your amazing grace and love that makes all things new. Amen.

RESPONDING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

MUSIC "Ashokan Farewell"

Nancy Wright and Laura Smith

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE Instrumental

Some of our worship material is adapted from:

Hold Fast to What is Good liturgical website

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD



INFORMATION

New Member Class (after church) in the ERPC library Nov. 12th

Questions and RSVP to Barb @ barblayman7@gmail.com

Congregation Assessment Survey



Help the Pastor Nominating Committee develop a picture of our congregation to share with pastoral candidates

Complete the Holy Cowl survey by November 15

It will take 30 minutes or less

Here is the link, which you can also find in the weekly eBlast or an email from us

www.surveymonkey.com/r/EAGLERPCCO

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