

September 28, 2025

**GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, all who carry shame, fear, or regret,

**People: For Christ meets us with mercy and speaks, "Neither do I condemn you."**

Leader: Come, all who have sown in tears

**People: For God restores us with joy, and places laughter in our lives.**

Leader: Come, for you are all forgiven and free, clothed in the love of Christ

**People: We rise to walk in newness of life.**

Leader: Let us worship the God of mercy, restoration, and joy!

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*SHARING GOD'S PEACE

\*HYMN #753 "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God,**

**We confess that we have not loved as you have loved us. We are quick to judge and slow to show mercy. We prefer to witness justice for others, but desire grace for ourselves.**

**May we have the patience, empathy, and grace to understand the pain in others' lives so that all may be raised to new life, renewed in your love, and walk in freedom. Amen.**

Leader: Let us continue our confession together in silence.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Beloved in Christ, great stories remind us that even in the

darkest chapters, light breaks through. So it is with God's story of grace. In Jesus Christ, mercy overcomes judgment, love rewrites endings. Know you are forgiven and be at peace!

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Youth Mission Presentation

**FIRST READING**

**Psalm 139**

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God**

ANTHEM

"Be Not Afraid"

Deb Swain

**SECOND READING**

**Genesis 2:4-25**

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God**

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION

**RESPONDING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

\*HYMN #462 "I Love to Tell the Story"

FAREWELL BLESSING for WRIGHTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

[Eagle River Presbyterian Church - Submit a Prayer](#)

OFFERING

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\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**GOING IN GOD'S NAME**

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

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### Farewell To The Wrights

Sunday, September 28th is Geoff and Nancy Wright's last day at ERPC. Join us during fellowship to celebrate their many years with us and wish them all the best in their new home in Idaho.

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### ERPC FAMILY PICNIC

Today after the service fellowship, Freedom Park, Edwards  
All are invited to bring a picnic lunch together in the park!  
Contact: Emma Kate Lander, elander@erpc.org or 410-858-7311

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Volunteer Day at Community Market, Edwards  
Tuesday Oct. 7th , 10 am - noon  
Contact Pat Helt, phelt176@gmail.com

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