

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

*Please take a moment during the Prelude to silence your cell phones and quietly prepare yourself for worship.*

WELCOME AND MINUTES FOR MINISTRY

PRELUDE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Children of God, come to the waters.

**People: We gather to be restored and renewed.**

Leader: Come, with your faith and your doubt.

**People: We respond to the one who claims and calls us.**

Leader: Come, Christ summons us to draw near.

**People: Let us worship God with joy and thanksgiving!**

\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

\*HYMN      "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"      Hymnal 306

## RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is finished and gone; everything is fresh and new. Believe the good news of the gospel!

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

**John 11:1-44**

MESSAGE

*Rev. Dr. Dean Knapp*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN      "Be Thou My Vision"      Hymnal 450

## GOING INTO THE WORLD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

OFFERTORY

\* "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"      Hymnal 606

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN      "Shall We Gather at the River"      Hymnal 375

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

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*\*Those who are able please stand*

WELCOME to worship - we are glad that you're here! If you are visiting today and would like to share your contact information, there are welcome cards in the pew pockets. Please fill one out and place it in the offering plate. Everyone is invited to stay for coffee, snacks, and fellowship in the narthex after worship.



LARGE PRINT HYMNALS with a black cover are on the small bookcase in the rear of the sanctuary.



Children up to Kindergarten age are welcome in the nursery. There are clipboards with coloring pages in the narthex if your children wish to stay in the sanctuary.

The communion table flowers are sponsored by Dean and Donna Davidson.



*Eagle River Presbyterian Church  
September 1, 2024*



## Welcome to Eagle River Presbyterian Church

September 1, 2024

### Weekly Walk

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Labor Day</b>	<i>office closed</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	<b>Coffee hour @ church</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Dinner with Friends fellowship event</b>	

Last week's In-Person Attendance ----- 44  
 Year-to-Date Regular Income ----- \$148,700.16  
 Year-to-Date Regular Expenses ----- \$168,553.15

## Welcome

Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Dean Knapp to the pulpit. The Rev. Knapp is a retired Presbyterian pastor, having served churches in Salt Lake City, Long Beach CA, Prineville OR, and right here in Eagle River (1998-1999). He is a twenty-five year volunteer with Alaska Mountain Rescue Group, having served as incident commander for multiple wilderness searches and avalanche responses. He instructs resilience for first responders on behalf of the national Mountain Rescue Association.

This Saturday is the **Dinner with Friends** fellowship event. We have plenty of hosts - please sign up to be a guest! The sign-up is on the bulletin board by the kitchen.



Next Sunday, Sept. 8, is the **first day of Sunday school** for children ages 5 and up!



The food pantry is looking for a regular volunteer who can work on Thursdays from 10 am-1 pm. The pantry is not open to clients on Thursdays, but a volunteer is needed whose main focus is to answer the phone, schedule, and verify clients via phone and email. This person will also help the other volunteers with sorting and stocking food if time allows. Please contact Steve, pantry manager, at 907-694-5228. Thank you!

The latest survey question from the **Mission Study Team** is: "What is your ideal church? Please be specific". If you have not responded yet, please email your answer to Kim at [klbarlington@gmail.com](mailto:klbarlington@gmail.com).



Save the date: There will be a **Fall gathering for Presbyterian Women** of the Yukon Presbytery taking place on Sept. 14 from 10am-2pm at First Presbyterian in Wasilla. For details, please see the flyer on the homepage of our church website ([www.erpresbyterian.org](http://www.erpresbyterian.org)) or on the bulletin board by the front door.

