

## Welcome! We are glad you are here.

**Children's Time:** Children of all ages are invited to come forward for a children's message during worship. Following the message, children ages 4 through 2nd grade are invited to accompany NaEisha and another adult teacher to Children's Church in the Education Building. Children in 3rd grade and above will return to their seats to worship with their families.

**Restrooms** are located in the Fellowship Hall across the breezeway.

### What's Going on This Week

**Sunday, January 29**

9:30 am—Sunday School  
11:00 am—Worship

**Wednesday, February 1**

8:00 am—Men's Prayer  
& Bible Study  
5:30 pm—Choir Practice  
6:30 pm—Handbells  
7:30 pm—Wednesday Night  
Devotion

**Thursday, February 2**

11:30 am—Lunch Bunch @ Chili's

**Saturday, February 4**

10:00 am—FRP Meeting @ First  
Americus  
10:00 am—Haugen's Zoom  
Meeting

**Sunday, February 5**

9:30 am—Sunday School  
11:00 am—Worship

### Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Connie Happell
Director of Music	Sue Ellen Williams
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# Edgewood Presbyterian Church

*Glorifying God by making disciples of Jesus Christ*



REJOICE!

Sunday, January 29, 2023

Service of Worship  
January 29, 2023  
Liturgical Color: Green  
4th Sunday after Epiphany

**BELL PEAL** EPC Ringers

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Connie Happell

**PRELUDE** "Celebration No. 1" EPC Ringers

Michael R. Keller

**OPENING PRAYER**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** based on Psalm 40:1-4,11,17

Leader: We waited patiently for the LORD  
and He heard our cry.

**People: He set our feet on a rock  
and gave us a firm place to stand.**

Leader: He gave us a new song,  
a hymn of praise to our God.

**People: May God's love and faithfulness  
always protect us.**

Leader: The Lord is our help and deliverer.  
Let us worship God!

**\*HYMN 473** "For the Beauty of the Earth"

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, forgive us when we are paralyzed by confusion, doubt and fear. Strengthen our faith and fill us with Your Spirit so we may believe and act in accordance with Your leading. Give us courage to accept those things that cannot be changed. Help us turn from our doubts and toward You in faith, so that we may freely bring glory to You. (Please continue in silent confession.) Amen

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**DUET** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Words by Thomas O. Chisholm

Music by William M.

Runyan Arranged by Lloyd Larson

Rebecca Bush, alto and Sue Ellen Williams, soprano

**OFFERTORY** "God Will Make a Way"

Words and Music by Don Moen

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**ANTHEM** "To Everything There Is a Season"

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

Ed Harris

Soloist: Jeff Ingram

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

NaEisha Owens

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Ecclesiastes 3:1-14a

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

Philippians 4:2-9

**SERMON** "Rejoice! The Lord is Near!" Rev. Connie Happell

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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**

**\*HYMN** "My Life Flows On: How Can I Keep From Singing?"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** "My Life Flows On: How Can I Keep From Singing?"

\*Indicates congregation standing, as able.