

**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

<b>Sunday, March 5</b> 9:30 am—Sunday School 11:00 am—Worship	7:30 pm—Wednesday Night Devotion via Zoom
<b>Tuesday, March 7</b> 7:30 am—Lectio Divina via Zoom	<b>Sunday, March 12</b> 9:30 am—Sunday School 11:00 am—Worship
<b>Wednesday, March 8</b> 8:00 am—Men's Bible Study & Prayer via Zoom 5:30 pm—Choir Practice 6:30 pm—Handbells	

#### Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Connie Happell
Director of Music	Sue Ellen Williams
Pianist	Walter Cornwell
Youth/Young Adult Coordinator	NaEisha Owens
Office Administrator	JoAnna Williams
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# Edgewood Presbyterian Church

***Glorifying God by making disciples of Jesus Christ***

*The wind blows where  
it chooses, and you hear  
the sound of it, but you  
do not know where it  
comes from or where it  
goes. So it is with  
everyone who is born  
of the Spirit.*

JOHN 3:8

**Sunday, March 5, 2023**

Service of Worship  
March 5, 2023  
Liturgical Color: Purple  
Second Sunday in Lent

**BELL PEAL** EPC Ringers

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Connie Happell

**A WORD FROM THE SESSION** Kris Jain

**PRELUDE** “Be Thou My Vision”  
John B. Dykes Arranged by Albin C. Whitworth

**OPENING PRAYER**

**\*UNISON CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 121:1-2; 7-8

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. The LORD will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

**\*HYMN 483 “Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ Your Son. (Please continue in silent confession.) Amen

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**OFFERTORY** “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

Arranged by Vicki Collinsworth

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**ANTHEM** “The Staff of Faith”  
Thomas T. Lynch 1818-1871 Craig Courtney

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** NaEisha Owens

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** John 3:1-17 (NRSV)

**SERMON** “From Night to Light” Rev. Connie Happell

**DUET** “How Beautiful”  
Words and Music by Twila Paris Arranged by Lloyd Larson  
Soloists: Tiffany Ingram, soprano  
Sue Ellen Williams, alto

**INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE**

**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. Am**

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**COMMUNION PRAYER**

**\*HYMN 355 “Hear the Good News of Salvation”**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** “Hear the Good News of Salvation”

\*Indicates congregation standing, as able.