

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, May 21

9:30 am—Sunday School

11:00 am—Worship

7:00 pm—Session Meeting via
Zoom

7:30 pm—Wednesday Night

Devotional via Zoom

Sunday, May 28

9:30 am—Sunday School

11:00 am—Worship

12:00 pm—Potluck Lunch with
Ron King

Tuesday, May 23

12:00 pm—The Chosen Study

Wednesday, May 24

5:30 pm—Choir Practice

6:30 pm—Handbells

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Edgewood Presbyterian Church

Glorifying God by making disciples of Jesus Christ

*“Do not be afraid.
Stand firm and you will see
the deliverance the Lord
will bring you today.
The Egyptians you see today
you will never see again.
The Lord will fight for you;
you need only to be still.”*

Exodus 14:13-14

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Service of Worship
May 21, 2023
Liturgical Color: White
Seventh Sunday of Easter

BELL PEAL EPC Ringers

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Connie Happell

PRELUDE "Simple Gifts"

Arranged by Lloyd Larson

EPC Handell Group
Susan Gilbert, Director

OPENING PRAYER

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 149

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song. Sing His praises
in the assembly of the faithful.

**People: Let us celebrate the Sovereign Creator,
with music and song!**

Leader: Why? Because the Lord is with us and delights
in His people!

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

SHARING MY STORY Stephanie Blackwell

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we long to follow You, to walk in the way You
have shown us, to know Your commandments, and to practice
them wholeheartedly. But we confess that we are easily
distracted, lured away by our own interests and desires,
enticed by the attitudes and practices of the world around us.
Forgive us. Turn our eyes away from the things that distract us
from Your way. Give us a hunger for Your Word and Your
ways. (Please continue in silent confession.) Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LADIES TRIO

Eliza E. Hewitt

"Sunshine in My Soul"

Lee Turner

Pete Nesbitt-Sanders, Soprano
Sue Ellen Williams, Second Soprano
Rebecca Bush, Alto

OFFERTORY "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

MARYTON

Arranged by Vicki Collinsworth

H. Percy Smith

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANTHEM

"Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"

Cecil Frances Alexander, 1852

Deborah Holden-Holloway

Pete Sanders-Nesbitt, Flute
Susan Gilbert, Hand Drum
Kristina Massey, Tambourine

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

NaEisha Owens

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 14:1-31

Bob Wetherell

SERMON

"Stand Firm"

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 281** "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

*Indicates congregation standing, as able.