

# *Edgewood Presbyterian Church • July 21, 2024*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Bell Peal

EPC Ringers

Welcome and Announcements

Susan Gilbert, CRE

Prelude

**"Change My Heart, Oh God"**

Opening Prayer

\*Call to Worship

from Psalm 24

\*Hymn 356

**"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Dear God of Grace and Glory, we have heard Your call to service, but have been slow to respond. We have allowed our fear of failure and concern about what other people would think of us to prevent us from answering Your call. We hear You calling us into relationship with You, but we are too busy to give You our full attention. We often fail to acknowledge Your presence with us. Forgive us, Lord, and remind us that You alone are the source of our strength and ability, and that all things are possible for You. Help us to listen for Your call and to respond with willing hearts. (Please continue in silent confession.) Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Praise Hymn 467

**"How Great Thou Art"**

\*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Anthem

**"Chariot's Comin'!"**

## ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

Children's Message

NaEisha Owens

New Testament Lesson

2 Samuel 7:1-16

Sermon

**"GOOD PARENTS WIELD STRONG PADDLES"**

Dr. Sid Leak

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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**

Offertory

**"We're Marching to Zion"**

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

## SENDING INTO GOD'S WORLD

\*Hymn 155

**"Rejoice, the Lord is King"**

\*Benediction

**"May the Road Rise to Meet You"**

Postlude

\*Indicates congregation standing, as able.

The words to the anthem can be found on the other side.

*A prayer partner is available at the front of the chapel after worship.*

**Edgewood Presbyterian Church**  
**God's People • Christ's Followers**  
**on the move with the Spirit**

We welcome back Dr. Sid Leak as our guest preacher this morning. An Honorably Retired member of Flint River Presbytery, Sid has served pastorates in Sandersville, MS; Birmingham, AL; Manchester, TN; Jackson, AL and Laurel, MS. Sid is also an Army veteran having served 30 years as both a Quartermaster officer and a Chaplain in both the active and reserve components. His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit and the Senior Parachutist Badge. He and his wife, Becky, live in Valdosta.

**Tuesday Bible Study.** The next study will be July 23 with a focus on the "Mary, the Mother of Jesus" led by Stephanie Blackwell at the home of Liz Allison. Bring your lunch to join at noon; the study begins at 1.

**The Memorial Service for Ted Ford** will be held on Saturday, July 27 at 2 p.m. in the Chapel at Edgewood. There will be a reception immediately following in the Fellowship Hall. The family requests no flowers but any memorial gifts should be given to Edgewood Presbyterian Church or the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Please continue to keep Patricia Banks and Ted Ford's family in your prayers.

**New American Pathways: Presbytery Mission Project.** We are participating in this mission project by collecting specific back-to-school supplies. Donations will be taken to the presbytery meeting in Valdosta on Saturday, August 3 for distribution. Lists are available at both entrances to the chapel.

**Family House of West Georgia.** Soft drink cans continue to be collected for what is now the Family House of West Georgia (formally the Ronald McDonald House). Please bring your clean cans to church and place them in the marked bin in the narthex.

**YA (Young Adults) Worship/Fellowship** gathers virtually via Zoom each Tuesday at 7 p.m. Contact Pete Sanders-Nesbitt for more details.

**Are you a visitor? Do you desire prayer? Would you like a call?** Let us know by noting this on the "Connect with Us" card in your pew and placing the card in the offering late. (All prayer requests are considered confidential.)

**Please Remember in Prayer**

**Homebound**

Claudia Wells  
 Tom Collins  
 Lee Hartline  
 Susan Knight  
 Margaret Greene

**Health Concerns**

Bob Wells  
 Eunmee Park  
 Barry Ferguson

**Grieving**

The families of Bonnie Powell  
 and Mildred Hunter.

**Church Staff**

Director of Music  
 Youth/Young Adult Coordinator  
 Pianist  
 Office Administrator  
 Commissioned Ruling Elders

Sue Ellen Williams  
 NaEisha Owens  
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**Calendar**

**Sunday, July 21**

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

**Tuesday, July 23**

12:00 pm—Tuesday Bible Study  
 7:00 pm—YA Worship  
 & Fellowship via Zoom

**Wednesday, July 24**

5:30 pm—Choir Practice  
 6:30 pm—Handbell Practice

**Saturday, July 27**

2:00 pm—Service for Ted Ford

**Sunday, July 28**

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

**July Birthdays**

Lynn Summers	6th
Wendell Grainger	8th
Kaylin Frost	9th
Marge Welker	12th
Cason Cobb	14th
Susan Gilbert	24th
Brian Evans	25th

**Antem: Chariot's Comin'!**

Part 1

I've got a home waitin' in the heavenly kingdom  
 Up where the streets are paved with gold.  
 And some day I know I'll be headin'  
 For the heavenly kingdom  
 With a chariot to carry me home.

Part 2

Swing low, sweet chariot,  
 Comin' for to carry me home.  
 Swing low, sweet chariot,  
 Comin' for to carry me home.

Part 3

Looked over Jordan, and what did I see.  
 Comin' for the carry me, carry me home?  
 A shiny golden chariot waitin' there for me;  
 It's gonna carry me home.

Part 2

Part 4

My day is comin' as sure as can be,  
 Comin' for to carry me, carry me home.  
 I hear a band of angels callin' out to me.  
 They're gonna carry me home.

Part 2 Twice

Ending

Chariot's comin',  
 Chariot's comin' to carry me home.