

Edgewood Presbyterian Church • July 28, 2024

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

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| Bell Peal | | EPC Ringers |
| Welcome and Announcements | | Susan Gilbert, CRE |
| Prelude | "I Got Peace Like a River" | |
| Opening Prayer | | |
| Call to Worship | | from Psalm 145 |
| *Hymn 485 | "To God Be the Glory" | |
| Solo | "Be Thou My Vision" | Lexie Huckaby |
| Unison Prayer of Confession | | |

Holy God, we are the recipients of Your great love and mercy. Our senses take in the beauty and wonder of Your great earth, but we are too preoccupied to take time to truly experience these gifts. We hear You calling us into relationship with You, but we are often too busy to give You our full attention. We fail to acknowledge Your presence with us. Make us aware of Your great presence and involvement in our lives, and turn our hearts and minds to You in praise and thanksgiving. (Please continue in silent confession.) Amen.

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| Assurance of Pardon | | |
| *Affirmation of Faith | | The Apostles' Creed |
| Anthem | "Steal Away" | |

ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

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| Children's Message | | NaEisha Owens |
| New Testament Lesson | | John 6:1-21 |
| Sermon | "He Loved Us First" | Susan Gilbert, CRE |

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

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| Offertory | "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" |
| *Doxology and Prayer of Dedication | |

SENDING INTO GOD'S WORLD

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| *Hymn | "I Sought the Lord, and Afterward I Knew" |
| *Benediction | "The Lord Bless You and Keep 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

The flowers today are given in memory of Ted Ford by the Ford Family and Patricia Banks.

Today we welcome Lexie Huckaby as our guest soloist.

Called Congregational Meeting on Sunday, August 4 immediately following worship for the purpose of electing four persons to serve on the joint Pastor Nominating Committee with the Abbey. Nominations may also come from the floor during the meeting, and we ask that those who are nominated be contacted ahead of time and agree to be nominated. If we receive nominations from the floor, we will conduct a ballot selection process.

The Noisy Offering will be collected today.

Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, August 1 at 11:30 a.m. at Speakeasy, 3123 Mercury Dr. Sign up in the narthex or see Martha Jane Roark.

Tuesday Bible Study will be August 6 led by Cynthia Frey at the home of Liz Allison. Bring your lunch to join at noon; the study begins at 1.

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 Facebook/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
 Eunmee Park
 JoAnna Williams
 Susan Gilbert
 Pete Sanders-Nesbitt



Edgewood @ First

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Calendar

Sunday, July 28

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

Tuesday, July 30

7:00 pm—YA Worship
 & Fellowship via Zoom

Wednesday, July 31

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

Thursday, August 1

11:30 am—Lunch Bunch

Saturday, August 3

10:00 am—Presbytery Meeting,
 Trinity Presbyterian,
 Valdosta

Sunday, August 4

9:30 am—Sunday School
 11:00 am—Worship
 12:00 pm—Congregational Meeting

August Birthdays

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| Karen Hotard | 13th |
| Tammy Mills | 14th |
| Abigail Evans | 18th |
| NaEisha Owens | 21st |
| Leah Grainger | 22nd |
| Martha Jane Roark | 22nd |
| Amy Dinsmore | 23rd |
| Shirley Williams | 23rd |
| Don Hoffman | 24th |
| Lisa Youmans | 31st |

Solo: Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart.
 Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
 Thou my best thought by day or by night.
 Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word.
 I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord.
 Thou my great Father and I Thy true son.
 Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one.

High King of heaven, my victory won.
 May I reach heaven's joys O bright heaven's Sun.
 Heart of my own heart, whatever befall.
 Still be my vision O Ruler of all.

Anthem: Steal Away

Part 1
 Steal away, steal away,
 Steal away to Jesus.
 Steal away, steal away home,
 I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord calls me aloud by the thunder.
 The trumpet sounds with-in-a my soul.
 I ain't got long to stay here.

Part 1

My Lord calls me to be a light in the darkness.
 The trumpet sounds with-in-a my soul.
 The trumpet sounds with-in my soul.

Steal away, steal away, Steal away to Jesus.
 Steal away, steal away, Steal away to Jesus.
 Steal away to Jesus.