



THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ENID
NOVEMBER 5, 2023 —
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 10:50AM

REVEREND BUD RUGGIA,
MINISTER OF WORD AND SACRAMENT
POLLY MAXWELL, LITURGIST

———— GATHERING ————

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Minute for Mission Loaves & Fishes. Thank You Carter Mathews

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God is Spirit. They that worship God must worship in Spirit and in Truth.

Glory be to God on high.

God is Light. If we walk in the Light as God is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another; and truly our fellowship is with Jesus Christ.

Glory be to God on high.

God is Love. Behold what manner of love God has for us, that we should be called the Children of God.

Glory be to God on high.

***Hymn:** “Holy, Holy, Holy” #1

CALL TO CONFESSION

We come to worship to praise God, but we remember how we have squandered the love and grace you have poured over us. So, let us now turn to God and confess our Sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, you know our inmost being. You know all that we are, all that we know, all that we think, and all that we believe. You know that we often exalt ourselves while, at the same time, we criticize and condemn the behavior of others. Forgive our pride and self-righteousness. Cleanse us of our sin; turn our thoughts and feet ever toward your way. We pray this together in the name of your Son Jesus. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The prophet Isaiah (6:7) proclaims that “Your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Know that you are forgiven, and live in peace. **Thanks be to God!**

*** RESPONSE— GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
Is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.**

———— THE WORD ————

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

“Into the World of Light”

FPC CHOIR

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal Father, Savior, and Lord, by your Holy Spirit, open our minds that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may receive with joy your gift to us this day. Amen

READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 2:9-13

You remember our labor and toil, brothers and sisters; we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. You are witnesses, and God also, how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was toward you believers. As you know, we dealt with each one of you

like a father with his children, urging and encouraging you and pleading that you lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory. We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers.

SERMON: "The Father of the Bride"

THE REVEREND BUD RUGGIA

***RESPONSE HYMN:** "Just as I Am, Without One Plea " #442

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY

The November Special Mission gifts will support Loaves & Fishes. Donations made to Special Mission projects are matched up to \$1000 by the Mission Committee.

***THE DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!
Praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above ye heavenly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

———— SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION ————

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Hear this traditional Invitation: "You that do truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways, take this holy sacrament to your comfort, and join us at this his gracious feast." So come, you who hunger and thirst for a deeper faith, for a better life, for a fairer world. Jesus Christ, who has sat at our tables, now invites us to be guests at his.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

SHARING OF COMMUNION All are invited to come forward & receive communion

PRAYER OF COMMUNION

CHARGE FOR ALL THE SAINTS

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. (Hebrews 12:1-2).

————— SENDING —————

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT:** "For All the Saints" #326

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING**

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**