

**EXERCISE**

**YOUR**

**FATH**

**Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost**

October 22, 2023

**EBENSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
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**Mission Statement**

"Ebensburg Presbyterians  
are Christians giving help  
and hope to all by sharing God's love."

**GATHERING**

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Ps 62:5-8*

My soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him.

**Truly he is my rock and my salvation;  
He is my fortress; I will not be shaken.**

My salvation and my honor depend on God;  
He is my mighty rock, my refuge.

**Trust in him always,  
pour out your hearts to him,  
for God is our refuge.**

HYMN#263 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

CALL TO CONFESSION

God has chosen us,  
but we frequently fail to choose.  
God's will for our lives.

Let us go before God,  
seeking forgiveness and peace.

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *(in unison)*

**God of justice and truth,  
you ask us to give to you the things that are yours.**

**If we are honest,  
we know we hold so much back.**

**We have promised you our obedience,  
but we often fulfill our own desires first.**

**We have promised you our worship,  
but we give our attention to idols instead.**

**We have promised to do your work in the world,  
but we put it last on the list of priorities.**

**Have mercy on us and forgive us.**

**Increase our generosity that we might give freely,  
grateful for all of the gifts you have given us.  
Amen (Moment of Silent Prayer)**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *(Responsibly)*

The good news remains true:

God has chosen us, forgives us, and walks beside us,  
helping us become imitators of Christ.

**Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Alleluia!**

\*GLORIA PATRI

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST *(responsively)*

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also, with you.**  
*(Please share the peace of Christ with those around.)*

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING            Hebrews    *11:1-3*        *P. 977*

SECOND READING        Hebrews    11:32-40      *P. 798*

The Word of the Lord,

**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON                    Work out Your Faith

### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

HYMN#399 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

PRAYER 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.**

INVITATION TO OFFERINGS AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING  
God of the harvest,  
you are continually planting the seeds of your love  
in our world and in our lives.

As we bring our gifts to you,  
may they be seeds of your grace, peace, and hope,  
planted deeply in our community. **Amen.**

### **SENDING**

\*HYMNS#446 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel,  
Who alone works wonders.

And blessed be His glorious name forever;  
And may the whole earth be filled with His glory.

**Amen, and Amen.**

\*POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**MAJOR REPAIR PROJECT IS IN ITS LAST PHASE!**

Please continue praying for the project and prayerfully consider donating to this cause—The Lord God will give us success. Please, contact pastor Owar or one of our leaders for more information.

**BIBLE2020 PROGRAM**

Bible Study Program Wednesdays @7pm. Come Join us!

**SPECIAL SESSION MEETING, Sunday, October 22, 2023**

**SESSION MEETING**— Monday, November 13, 2023

**JOINT SESSION MEETING: Monday, October 23, in Colver PC**

**WORSHIP SERVICE** starts at 11:00 AM & Facebook Live

**HOLY COMMUNION SERVICER: Sunday November 5, 2023**

**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

**Happy Birthday**

October 12	Addyson Bracken
October 14	Effriam Vietmeier
October 14	Averi Bracken
October 20	Laura McGill
October 24	Shannon McGill
October 27	Apay Ojulu

**Happy Anniversary**



**You may join our church in one of three ways:**

Transfer from another congregation;

Reaffirm your faith if you have not been an active church member recently;

Profess Jesus as Savior and Lord.

Please talk to the pastor or one of the leaders

**PRAYER LIST**

If you have any names, you would like added to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 472-6920 or place the names in the Offering Baskets near each of the front entrances. Thank you.

Eva Tomb

Ray McKim

Jim Estep

Ramona McKim

Candi Elam

Ben & Patricia Tuchi

Peter & Margaret Funch

Albie

Tom R.

Erin M.

Marty F

Claudette Segear

John Fedora

Gloria P.

Father Pat Kirsch

Family of Richard McKim

Phil Brulia

Doug Wolfe (*new*)

**Use of the Building Scout**

- October 1 - 5-8pm
- October 8 - 5-8pm
- October 22 - 5-8pm
- October 29 - 5-8pm

**Point of Freedom Group**

Every Tuesday

- October 03 6 Pm
- October 10 6 PM
- October 17 6 Pm
- October 24 6 PM
- October 31 6 PM

**NA Business**

Saturday, October 21 @. 9:45 AM