

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin
November 16, 2025 – 10:00 am

Welcome to Worship Today! Please take a moment to fill out our Friendship Pads found in the pews. This is a great way to get to know who's worshipping with us and to connect you to our community.	Nursery Care Supervised care is available for children birth to 5 years old in our nursery room on the 2 nd floor. Please pick up by 11:05 am or 10 minutes after service.
For our liturgy this morning, BOLD text invites all to join in the reading.	

Prelude Gary Norris, Organist

Ringling of the Bell Leslie Sutin

Welcome Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship Psalm 98 Ken Newman

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

Hymn *Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim* #477

Prayer of Confession Ken Newman

Let us not hide our sins from God, but confess before God and one another, assured of God's gracious forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

Gracious and loving God, we confess that we are troubled by the events of our lives and the state of this world. Headlines are full of wars, suffering, earthquakes, famines, and death. These things are enough to shake our faith and undermine our confidence in your promise. Lord, we believe; help our unbelief. Deliver us from speculation that distracts us from

faithful living and loving service. Forgive us when we doubt your promises. Help us to endure that we may gain our souls, always bearing witness to your love and grace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Take a moment for silent personal confession and reflection.

Assurance of Pardon (Psalm 103:11-12)

Ken Newman

“For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God’s steadfast love toward those who fear him.”

“As far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our transgressions from us.”

Hear and believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

#592

Passing of the Peace

May the peace of Christ, be with you! **And also with you!**

FPCE Sings *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

#151

Scripture Exodus 35:4-9, 20-29; 36:2-7

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem *How Great Thou Art* – Hine/Rouse/Kirkland

Directed by Lorilee Brasseur

Sermon *Joy*

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn *Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

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Benediction

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Postlude

Gary Norris, Organist

Announcements

Food Challenge – Supporting Our Neighbors

We believe everyone should have access to food. Each month we collect non-perishable items for the Volunteers of America Food Bank serving Everett families. With SNAP and other food benefits stopping, our Deacons are challenging us to Support Our Neighbors. The Deacons are giving \$400 to the VOA and the Salvation Army and are asking you to match.

You can help by bringing non-perishable food throughout November or by giving financially. Use the green envelopes in the pews or write *Food Challenge* on your check. Donations will be shared with VOA and the Salvation Army on December 8. Thank you for your compassion and care!

The Gathering – November 19th

For our upcoming November Gathering, we're excited to welcome Braver Angels, an organization dedicated to helping people bridge divides and communicate across differences.

In a time when so many things seem to separate us, we can all benefit from learning how to disagree better. During this workshop, we'll learn essential skills for respectful communication and finding common ground – even when we don't see eye to eye.

The session will be led by a two-person Braver Angels team, who will model how people from “blue” and “red” perspectives can disagree and still stay engaged as friends. This is a free workshop, but to help us plan, please register using the Eventbrite link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1766792857999?discount=BRAVER&aff=oddttdtcreator>

Note: There is a sign-up sheet at the welcome booth if you'd like the office to register you.

Stewardship Sunday – November 23rd

On Sunday, November 23rd, we will be consecrating our pledges for the 2026 budget. By knowing our pledges, our Session will be able to set a budget and direction for our congregation in 2026. More information and pledge cards will be coming.

This Week...

Adult Sunday School – Today at 11:30am in hybrid format, both in-person in Calvin Lounge and on Zoom. This is a review & discussion of a 24-lecture Great Courses course on The City of God. Join Zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82666606593?pwd=y2bNwTCfCjQzY0E7Z0BFBxJkDRmfdv.1>

- Meeting ID: 826 6660 6593

Lunch with Alan – Join us for lunch with Pastor Alan tomorrow at 12 pm.

Thursday Bible Study – Thursday Bible Study is November 20th at 4:00 pm on 1 Timothy 4. Join Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81320649537?pwd=343k4LdmdXE0lJ18GD5xg7xc9kzoHG.1>

Meeting ID: 813 2064 9537

Passcode: 509769

Next Sunday we will have hybrid worship at 10am.

- All videos are linked to our Facebook page, website, app, and YouTube channel.

Thanksgiving Day Potluck

If you are hanging out on Thanksgiving and would like to join some church friends for food and fun, then you are in luck! Join Pastor Alan and friends for a Thanksgiving potluck on November 27th. Doors will open at 1:30 pm and food will be served around 2:00 pm. Bring something to share or just come to hang and eat. To help with numbers, please sign up at the Welcome Booth.

Advent 2025

Advent is right around the corner! We have many fun things in the works. Set your calendars for our Advent Potluck on Sunday, November 30th after worship. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Booth to let us know if you can bring an appetizer/salad, main course, or dessert. Also, we will be having Christmas Eve worship on December 24th at 7:00 pm and 11:00 pm. More details to come.

S.P.A.M. Luncheon – December 5th

Our next S.P.A.M. luncheon will be on Friday, December 5. Punch bowl at 11:30 am and lunch served at 12:00 pm. Our program is Christmas Songs with the Everett High School Choir. Lunch is \$7.50. Please sign up at the Welcome Booth or call Jan Weakley by Sunday, November 30th.

Join the Choir!

Calling all singers, past and present, to join the choir. Rehearsal is on Sundays from 11:15 am to 12:45 pm. The choir is open to all people who want to grow in their faith and lead our congregation in glorifying God. If you have questions, please talk with Lorilee, our new Director of Music Ministry, for more information.

Youth Sunday School

The First Pres Youth meet after the Passing of the Peace in the youth room on the second floor. They are studying the Apostle's Creed and will meet on November 9, 16, and 23. The nursery is open on the second floor for our youth under 6 years of age.

If you would like to volunteer in the nursery or in youth Sunday School, please let Pastor Alan or Teresa know.

SCRABBLE

Scrabble meets November 19th at 1:00 pm in Westminster Hall for fellowship, fun and SCRABBLE. The north door will be open from 12:50pm to 1:00pm.

VOA Food Donations

We gathered 310 pounds of food for the Volunteers of America this month! Great job! Let's keep up the good work by bringing in non-perishable food items throughout the month. On Sunday, December 7th, Ken will be in the alley collecting non-perishable food before worship. Drive down the alley, drop off food, then park and come to worship. We will not be collecting on Monday, December 8th.

Hearing Assistance

A limited number of hearing devices are available to amplify the worship service. To use one, please ask an usher.

Catch a Sunday Worship Rerun

Did you know that our Sunday worship services are recorded? You can watch past worship services on our FPCE website, mobile app, YouTube channel, and Facebook page. Links to all these channels can be found on our website at: www.firstpreschurch.com.

Lay Leadership

On Sundays, we are blessed to have wonderful people guide us in worship through the leading of the call to worship, prayer of confession, and other parts of our service. If you'd like to be added to this list to lead, please talk with Pastor Alan or scan his QR code. No experience necessary, just a willing and open heart.



Pastor's QR Code

Calling New Members

Are you interested in joining the First Presbyterian Church of Everett? Want to learn more about our congregation and our organizational structure? We want membership to be accessible, fun, and a way to deepen your faith. If this seems like where you are and what you'd like to explore, then scan Pastor Alan's QR code or talk with Pastor Alan.

Prayer Requests – November 16, 2025

- Roy Yates memorial will be here on Sunday, December 21st at 2:00 pm. Please keep his family in your prayers.
- Lou Denney died in October. At her request there will be no memorial. Please keep her family in your prayers.
- Please continue to pray for healing and good health for Jean Kanter and for God's protection from falling.
- **Update:** We continue to pray for Jay Kuhnhehn. He had emergency surgery to prevent an infectious disease in his spine. He is home doing IV therapy. Praise God to be home and healing. Please keep Marcia and Thelma (health issues), and Julie (strength and perseverance) during this time.
- We pray for Stana Spangler as her husband, Dan, died. A memorial for Dan is scheduled for Monday, December 1st at 10:00 am at Solie Funeral Home.
- **Update:** Brother and sister-in-law, Bob & Sherry, are doing okay. Sherry has nightly dialysis requiring significant preparation time from Bob both before and after. From Pat Erickson.
- **Update:** Juliana Peths, my daughter, and her family, would like to express their gratitude for your prayers. She is getting better under a new doctor's care and feeling optimistic about her progress. From Rosemary Rheinheimer.
- **Update:** It appears Angela may have turned the corner. She is off the ventilator and 24-hour dialysis and is alert most of the day. The family is so grateful for your concern and continued prayers. From Annette King.
- **Update:** After several unsuccessful attempts at skin grafts, doctors had to stop and allow Lisa's wound to heal from the inside out. Her wound has started to respond to treatment and, while reduced in size, will still take months to close. This is a major turnaround in her condition and very hopeful. From Elizabeth Nelson.

- **Update:** Thank you for your prayers for Alan Villevik's sister, Mary Rogers. She is doing well and is not experiencing any pain since her cancer diagnosis.
- **Update:** Thank you for your prayers for our niece, Mary Margaret Villesvik, who has left her abusive relationship. We are in regular contact with her. Please continue to pray for her protection and courage not to go back.

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Charles Wesley, 1744

Attr. William Croft, 1708
A Supplement to the New Version of the Psalms, 1708

1. Ye ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
 2. God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save;
 3. "Sal - va - tion to God, who sits on the throne,"
 4. Then let us a - dore, and give Him His right,

And pub - lish a - broad His won - der - ful name;
 And still He is nigh— His pres - ence we have;
 Let all cry a - loud, and hon - or the Son;
 All glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

The name all - vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol;
 The great con - gre - ga - tion His tri - umph shall sing,
 The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
 All hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

His king - dom is glo - rious, He rules o - ver all.
 As - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.
 Fall down on their fac - es, and wor - ship the Lamb.
 And thanks nev - er ceas - ing, and in - fi - nite love.

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

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FESTAL SONG SM

Ruth Duck, 1974

William H. Walter, 1894

1. A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2. A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on dōor;
3. A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
✓4. A - rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song!

Show forth the glo - ry of your God, Which shines on you to - day.
Pro - claim the cap-tives' lib - er - ty, Good ti - dings to the poor.
Bind up the bro-ken - heart-ed ones And com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

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