The First Presbyterian Church of Everett

Worship Bulletin – November 8, 2026 – 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.

Supervised Nursery Care is available for children birth to 5 years old in our 2nd floor nursery room. Please pick up children by 11:05 or 10 minutes after service.

Hearing Devices are available to amplify the worship service. Please see ushers.

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*For our liturgy, **BOLD** text invites you to join in the reading*

Prelude	*Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble* (Smith)	Praise Team
Ringing of the Bell		Leslie Sutin
Welcome		Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway
Call to Worship	Psalm 70	Steve Hammond

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me. O Lord, make haste to help me!
Let those be put to shame and confusion who seek my life. Let those be turned back and brought to dishonor who desire to hurt me.
Let those who say, "Aha, Aha!" turn back because of their shame. Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you.
Let those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"
But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!
You are my help and my deliverer; O Lord, do not delay!

Opening Song *Lord, Prepare Me* – FPCE Sings #66

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Prayer of Confession

If we say we have no sin, the truth is not in us. Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, we seek to begin again. With confidence that God hears us as we pray, let us confess our sins.

God of grace, we have sinned against you by not honoring you or loving one another. We sleep when you ask us to be awake. We fall short in our preparations for the delays that inevitably come. We fail to share what you have provided. We have lost our hope. Forgive our sinful ways, tame our wayward wills and make us more like Christ. Inspire us by your Spirit so that we will be prepared to welcome the Lord when he appears. May our lives here and now be a glimpse of what we hope all may one day enjoy. Hear us as we turn to you now…

Take a moment for silent personal confession and reflection.

Assurance of Pardon

God draws near to us with compassion and forgives our sins.
Thanks be to God, we are a forgiven people. Amen.

Choir Anthem *In This Holy Hour* (Vader/Rouse) Dir. by Lorilee Brasseur

Passing of the Peace

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

Songs *Did You Feel the Mountains Tremble*
How Great is Our God

Scripture Matthew 25:1-13
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *Read Before Purchasing* 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.

Closing Song *Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)*

Benediction Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Postlude *Praise to the Lord* Gary Norris, Organist
(Jones)

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Today

Adult Sunday School – 11:30am in Calvin Lounge (and on Zoom). Join us for a review of a recorded lecture series titled *The History of Christian Theology*. Join Zoom with Meeting ID: 831 6855 5529 click here

Worship Next Sunday will be at 10:00 am (also available online on our Facebook page, website, app, and YouTube channel)

Upcoming

Lunch with Pastor Alan – tomorrow (Monday) at 11:30 am in Calvin Lounge with Priscilla Circle.

Priscilla Circle – tomorrow at 11:30 am in Calvin Lounge.
All women are warmly invited to join us! We will be studying chapter 3 in our study book "United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other". You can bring your lunch if you desire. We hope you'll join us!

Thursday Bible Study – **November 12th** at 4:00 pm via Zoom.
We will study 1 John 3. Join meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85889578184?pwd=hW0PMGJrPyVDb8aSwtPGLz3I7damO2.1 Meeting ID: 858 8957 8184

Men's Breakfast – Saturday, November 14th at 8:30 am in Stocker Hall.
All men are invited for breakfast and Bible study.

Consecration Sunday – November 15th

On Sunday, November 15th, we officially consecrate and bless our pledges for 2027. A pledge card will be arriving in the mail before the 15th. Our tithes help our Session prepare and budget for the ministry and mission of our church in the next year.

Scrabble – November 18th at 1:00 pm in Westminster Hall.
The north door will be open from 12:50 pm to 1:00 pm.

Thanksgiving Combined Worship – November 22nd

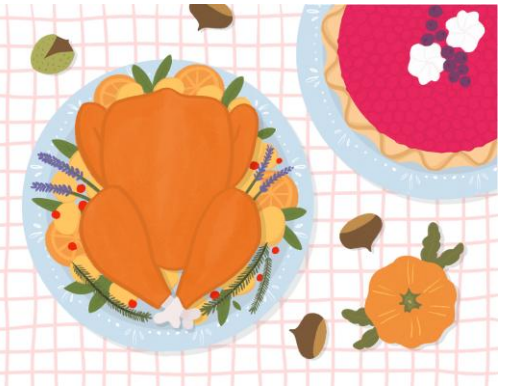


We are having a special combined worship service on Sunday, November 22nd. Four other churches are joining us in our sanctuary for worship.

During coffee time, we will be assembling support baskets for Cocoon House. To help with this project, please bring new bottles of shampoo, conditioner, body wash, razors, shaving cream, and socks. Travel sizes are great for the shampoo, conditioner, etc. We will collect donations through November 22nd. Thank you!



Thanksgiving Gathering – November 26th



The turkey and ham are coming, so come on down to a family style Thanksgiving meal here at the church on November 26th at 3:00 pm. Sign up at the Welcome Booth to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert and enjoy a relaxing time with your church family.

Advent Potluck – Sunday, December 13th

Save the date for our Advent potluck. More details to come!

Christmas Eve – 7:00 pm and 11:00 pm



FPCE will celebrate the birth of Jesus with two services on Christmas Eve. Both services will have candlelight, but the 7:00 pm will feature vibrant music and the 11:00 pm will be reflective. One or both are great ways to prepare our hearts for the coming of the Christ child.

Announcements

Join the Choir!

Calling all singers! Choir rehearsals are on Sundays from 11:15 am to 12:45 pm. Whether you're a seasoned singer or just love to sing, you're invited to help lead worship through music. Talk with Lorilee for more information.

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

Please Pray for…

Rosemary Rheinheimer, who had thyroid surgery.