

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin  
September 17, 2023 – 10am

\*For our liturgy this morning, **BOLD** text invites all to join in the reading.

The First Presbyterian Church of Everett welcomes you to worship. Our Friendship Pads are back in our pews. We hope you take a moment to fill them out. This is a great way for us to get to know who's worshipping with us and to connect you to our community. Again, welcome!

Prelude                      *Prayer – Clay*    Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell    Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome    Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship    Psalm 103:1-13    Marne Larson

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—**

Who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit,

**Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

**The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins nor repay us according to our iniquities.

**For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;**

As far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.

**As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.**

Hymn                      *Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining*    #425

Prayer of Confession and the Lord's Prayer

Marne Larson

Before we can hear God's truth spoken in love, we must free ourselves from all that obstructs us from honestly acknowledging our wrongdoing. Let us examine our hearts and confess our sins to God.

**Lord, you are amazing and merciful. Like a hen gathers her brood under her wings, you desire to gather your children. As a father running to the lost, you desire to welcome us home. But division and disagreement plague us. We cling to rigid certainties, approach each other in arrogance, and fail to listen. We walk away from conflict, rather than working through it. We substitute greed for charity and hold on to false idols. Forgive us, Holy God. Guide us to hear your voice again. Return to us the joy and hope of your salvation. Help us grow in faith, mature in relationships, and be transformed through your steadfast love. Hear us now as we come to you in silence.**

*Take a moment in silent confession and personal reflection.*

The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven (James 5: 15-16). In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, redeemed, and restored to God's path of righteousness. **Amen.**

Now with believers everywhere, we pray 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.**

Passing of the Peace

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

Hymn                      *Spirit of the Living God*

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Choir Anthem          *We Are Not Alone*

Directed by Steve Torrence

Scripture                Matthew 6:1-15

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

Sermon                    *How to Pray*

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway



## Announcements

**Flowers this morning are from Alan & Vicki  
in celebration of birthdays!**

### **VOA Food Donations**

We donated 290 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America Food Bank this week. Great job! Our next drive-through collection is Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10am to 12pm. Pastor Alan and Ken Newman will be accepting non-perishable food in the alley. You can also bring non-perishable food any Sunday and add it to the collection boxes at each door. Your donations support those in need here in Everett. Thank you for your donations.

### **Presbyterian Women – Kitchen Towel Drive**

The Presbyterian Women are hosting a kitchen towel drive to replace aging towels in the Westminster and Calvin kitchens. If you would like to contribute, you may drop off a new kitchen/tea towel or a new dishcloth over the next few Sundays in the Westminster kitchen. Thank you for your donation!



### **Souper Sunday – October 8<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am**

Once again, the Deacons will be serving up food and fellowship. Be sure and mark your calendar and come one, come all.



## SCRABBLE – September 20<sup>th</sup>

Scrabble is on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. We invite newbies, the average “word-joe”, experts, mentors, and YOU to join us on September 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in Westminster Hall for fellowship, fun and SCRABBLE. The north door will be open from 12:50pm to 1:00pm. For more information, please contact Linda Senter or Lois Tysseling. Hope to see YOU there!

## Hymn Requests

The Worship Committee invites you to suggest a favorite song or hymn for inclusion in worship. There are request forms next to the offering box. Just fill one out and drop it in the offering box and we will try our best to include your hymn in worship in the following weeks.

## This Week...

- **Sunday School** today is at 11:30am in hybrid format, both in-person in Calvin Lounge and on Zoom. Steve Hammond is leading a lecture series “Great Figures of the New Testament”.
  - Join Zoom using this new link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85803311791>
  - Meeting ID: 858 0331 1791
- **Lunch with Alan** – is on Mondays at noon in the church library. The north door will be open at 11:45am. Bring your lunch or just come to talk and catch up. Coffee is provided.
- **Thursday Bible Study** –
  - There will be no Thursday Bible Study this week. We will resume on September 28.
  - Join Zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902>
  - Meeting ID: 431 912 4902
- **Next Sunday** we will have hybrid worship at 10am.
  - All videos are linked to our Facebook page, website, app, and YouTube channel.

## To all worshipping with us...

The First Presbyterian Church is a sanctuary open to all people. Please:

- Honor those who wish to wear masks in our facility. Ask people to be kind and welcoming to those who may need some extra space.
- Respect boundaries if one asks for alternative ways of greeting.
- Use the many hand sanitizer stations throughout our building.

If there is any confusion, concerns, or questions, please contact Pastor Alan or a greeter. Our goal is to worship together and love our neighbor. We value everyone being able to worship in safety, inclusion, and openness. All are welcome.

## Prayer Requests September 17, 2023

- We pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine.
- We pray for Gary Norris' health.
- **Update:** Doug Schultz, son-in-law of Annette King. Praises to God! The reoccurrence of tumor has been diagnosed as benign! Besides the improvement in his balance and muscle tone as he is again working with a physical therapist, he has started the 'chemo for life' which will help the blood cells continue to do the good job they were intended for. He still has a long road ahead to regain good overall health and once again get his driver's license. Doug & all the family are very grateful for your years of prayers. Please keep on praying! From Annette King.
- **Update:** Thank you for your continued prayers for our daughter, Jan Geibel. She has been on a trial for a new drug through Seattle Cancer Care Alliance. It looks very promising. Jan appreciates your thoughts and prayers. From Judy & Clyde Pitcher.
- Prayers for Linda Senter's great-niece, Leanne, whose IgA Nephropathy (Berger's Disease) is attacking her kidneys again. **New Update:** After many tests and doctor approvals, her husband's kidney is a match for transplant! Surgery will be October 4.
- Prayer request for our granddaughter, Melissa Mobeck. (She was our son's stepdaughter, but she has always been a part of our family). She has struggled with addiction and trauma issues over her life but is clean and healthy. She is married to Chris Butterfield, and they have two precious children: Tina 2 years old and little Amy 3 months old. They are active in a little church. Alan and I communicate with them daily by text or video chat so would also appreciate your prayers for wisdom as we continue to love and support them. From Alan and Dottie Villevik.
- We would like to ask for your prayers for our friends Tom and Pat Dotson. Tom has pancreatitis and has been hospitalized in poor condition. Pat has dementia and is not sure where she is. Pray also for their daughter Jennifer who has suddenly assumed a great responsibility. **Update:** Tom was released from the hospital to home. He had a heart attack and is back in the hospital awaiting open heart surgery. Thank you. From Bob and Barbara Barren.
- **Update:** On our friends Mike and Jeannine Schone. Mike was diagnosed with brain cancer and is involved in special cancer research with Fred Hutchinson Cancer Society and is in the third phase of one in which he may be getting the trial medicine or a placebo. He reports that he is feeling great and is hopeful that he may be getting the real stuff. Doctors seem pleased with his progress. They appreciate our prayers and believe his situation is due to the many prayers that have been offered on his behalf. From Alan and Dottie Villevik
- We pray for Marsha Lueth's severe chronic cerebral microvascular disease as it is causing even more weakness. We also pray for her health and spirit as she deals with other medical issues.
- Please pray for Kari, good friend of Judy Hutchison, who is going through chemotherapy.
- Jimmy Sharp appreciates prayers for his on-going back injury.

- Aaron and Alicia, friends of Lisa Comstock who struggle with long-COVID problems. Thank you for your continued prayers. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Willard who has stage 4 cancer. From Lisa Comstock.

### **Continued Prayers for FPCE**

- Family of Wes King
- Family of Peter Boonstra
- Family of Maggie Lamus
- Family of Lin Davis
- Arlene Mawudeku – for kidney transplant
- Susan Klingler
- Cody, grandson of Marilee Richards
- Karen, daughter of Marilee Richards
- Art & Sue Hermansen
- Florence Day
- Karen Summers
- Quinn Carpenter
- Genny Heuer and extended family
- Larry O'Donnell
- Robert Henry
- Paul & Joyce Richardson
- LaMara Halstrom and Jane McMahon – Steve and Nancy Torrence
- Pat Weakley Hein – sister-in-law of Jan Weakley
- Matt McCoy, grandson of Annette King
- Clyde Pitcher
- Robby as he continues to heal and for Monica helping every step of the way – from Martha and Mike Clemans
- Cindy Rowlands
- Cy Paydar – nephew of Steve and Nancy Torrence

We pray for families affected by dementia and/or Alzheimer's. As with other individuals and families, we pray for successful research, perseverance, a sense of humor, and the Spirit's peace.

# 425 Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining

ABBOT'S LEIGH 8.7.8.7 D

Cyril Vincent Taylor, 1941

Howell Elvet Lewis, 1916; alt.

1. Lord of light, Your name out - shin - ing All the stars and  
 2. By the toil of faith - ful work - ers In some far out -  
 3. Grant that knowl - edge, still in - creas - ing, At Your feet may  
 4. By the prayers of faith - ful watch - ers, Nev - er si - lent

suns of space, Use our tal - ents in Your king - dom As the  
 ly - ing field, By the cour - age where the ra - diance Of the  
 low - ly kneel; With Your grace our tri - umphs hal - low, With Your  
 day or night; By the cross of Je - sus, bring - ing Peace to

ser - vants of Your grace; Use us to ful - fill Your pur - pose  
 cross is still re - vealed, By the vic - to - ries of meek - ness,  
 char - i - ty our zeal; Lift the na - tions from the shad - ows  
 all and heal - ing light; By the love that pass - es knowl - edge,

*Refrain*

In the gift of Christ Your Son:  
 Through re - proach and suf - fering won:  
 To the glad - ness of the sun: Ab - ba, as in  
 Mak - ing all Your chil - dren one:

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CHURCH: MISSION

high - est heav - en, So on earth Your will be done.

♩=88-96

The image shows a musical score for a church mission. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The treble staff contains the melody with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are "high - est heav - en, So on earth Your will be done." The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The music is written in a key with one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and a 4/4 time signature. The tempo is indicated as ♩=88-96. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

# Spirit of the Living God

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LIVING GOD Irregular

Daniel Iverson, 1935; adapted

Daniel Iverson, 1935

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me;

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time. The treble staff contains the vocal melody with lyrics underneath. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me.

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system, maintaining the same musical structure.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

The third system features a more active vocal melody with lyrics. The accompaniment consists of chords and single notes in the bass staff.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, Fall a-fresh on me.

The fourth system concludes the piece with a final vocal phrase and accompaniment.

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# Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

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DETROIT CM

Rosamond E. Herklots, 1969, 1983

Supplement to *Kentucky Harmony*, 1820  
Harm. Margaret W. Mealy (b. 1922)

Dm Gm Dm F Am Dm

1. "For - give our sins as we for - give," You taught us, Lord, to pray,
2. How can Your par - don reach and bless The un - for - giv - ing heart
3. In blaz - ing light Your cross re - veals The truth we dim - ly knew:
4. Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls And bid re - sent - ment cease.

Bb Am F Gm Am Dm

But You a - lone can grant us grace To live the words we say.  
That broods on wrongs and will not let Old bit - ter - ness de - part?  
What triv - ial debts are owed to us, How great our debt to You!  
Then, bound to all in bonds of love, Our lives will spread Your peace.

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