

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin
October 19, 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 *Air* – Gordon Young Gary Norris, Organist
Ringing of the Bell Leslie Sutin
Welcome Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway
Call to Worship Psalm 84 Lisa Villevik
How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul longs, indeed, it faints, for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the living God.
Even the sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise. Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
As they go through the valley of Baca, they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools.
They go from strength to strength; the God of gods will be seen in Zion. Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob!
Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed.
For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than live in the tents of wickedness.
For the Lord God is a sun and shield; he bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does the Lord withhold from those who walk uprightly.
Lord of hosts, happy is everyone who trusts in you.
Hymn *How Lovely, Lord* #207

Prayer of Confession

Lisa Villevik

If we say we have no sin, the truth is not in us. With confidence that God hears our prayers and loves us unconditionally, let us confess our sins:

God of the covenant, you promise to write your law in our hearts, that we might be faithful people who know you and your will for us. Still, we stray from your ways, we fail to tell the truth, we mirror the world around us more than the good news of the gospel, and we fail to acknowledge that you are our God. Forgive us, and by your Spirit renew us. Engrave your covenant upon us once more. Grant us courage and faith that we might begin again to live what it is we say we believe. Hear us now as we turn to you.

Take a moment for silent personal confession and reflection.

Assurance of Pardon

No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more. (Jeremiah 31:34)

Hear and believe this good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

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 *‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* #202

Scripture 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

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

Anthem *Yes, My Jesus Loves Me* – Mary McDonald Directed by Lorilee Brasseur

Sermon *Stay Sober* 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 *O for a World* #386

Benediction Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Postlude *Trumpet Tune* – Gordon Young Gary Norris, Organist

Announcements

Welcoming All with Wisdom and Care

As a downtown church, we are often joined in worship by a diverse range of people. This is a blessing—and at times, a challenge. Please help us respond with compassion and care while maintaining safety and order.

If Someone is Disruptive:

- **Violent or threatening behavior?**
 - **Call 9-1-1 immediately.** Do not engage alone.
- **Noisy, upset, or needing to talk?**
 - Kindly guide them to Westminster Hall for conversation and care.

Never Engage Alone:

- Always have **two people present** in any conversation.
- If the person is **male** → Two **men** should engage.
- If the person is **female** → At least **one woman**, who should take the lead.

In Westminster Hall:

- Offer **coffee** and a seat at a table.
- **Listen patiently.**
- Kindly explain: **We cannot provide funds for rent, bus fare, or other needs.**

Thank you for your grace, presence, and care as we seek to be a welcoming and wise church community. For questions or concerns, please speak with a member of Session or Pastor Alan.

Called Congregational Meeting

The Session is calling a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, November 2nd after worship to vote on the 2026 Terms of Call of our pastor.

Hearing Assistance

A limited number of hearing devices are available to amplify the worship service. To use one, please ask a greeter or Pastor Alan.

Pop-Up Book Sale Today!

The Women's Association is holding a "pop-up" book and puzzle sale in Westminster Hall today during coffee time.

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.

Chili Cookoff – November 2nd

Our Chili Cook-Off is back on Sunday, November 2nd! We will be having our famous and award-winning chili cooks bringing their amazing creations for tasting right after worship.

There is a sign-up sheet for chili entries at the Welcome Booth. This will be a great event with free chili! If you have questions, please contact Teresa Good.

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 October 19 and 26 and 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.

Advent Devotional Theme Writers Needed

Our theme this year for our FPCE Advent devotional is **Presence**.

Our annual devotional consists of daily writings throughout the season of Advent from our members. This is a time to be reflective as we share thoughts on our theme of Presence. We give and receive presents at Christmas, but where is Jesus' presence for you? Is it in the carols sung, the candles lit, the traditions, the time with family and friends, or do you find the essence, spirit, feeling of Christmas somewhere else? Our theme lends us to think about other questions like what relationship is meaningful to you at Christmas? What gift of presence was important to you at Christmas? Why? During Advent/Christmas, where is Jesus' presence seen, found, experienced for you? What gift was more than what was in the box?

All are invited to be creative and take a moment to write thoughts down to be added to the 2025

devotional. Submissions are due on or before October 31st and devotional copies will be able to be picked up on the first Sunday of Advent, November 30th. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Alan.

SCRABBLE

Scrabble meets November 5th and 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.

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 October 23rd at 4:00 pm on 2 Timothy 4. Join Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81320649537?pwd=343k4LdmdXE0lJ18GD5xg7xc9kzoHG.1>

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Next Sunday we will have hybrid worship at 10am.

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

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=oddtcreator>

Note: During registration, you will see a question asking whether you lean red or blue. This is simply to help the facilitators understand the group balance – your information will not be shared, and you're welcome to skip the question if you prefer. If you have any questions, please speak with Pastor Alan.

VOA Food Donations

We donated 257 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America this month. Great job! Our next in-person collection is on November 3rd from 10am to 12pm.

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.

HONORING OUR FPCE FIRST RESPONDERS

The First Presbyterian Church of Everett warmly invites you to a special worship service of prayer and acknowledgment on:

Sunday, October 26th at 10:00 AM
2936 Rockefeller Ave. Everett 98201



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.



Pastor's QR Code

Prayer Requests October 19, 2025

- **Update:** We want to thank everyone for your love, concern and prayer for Alan V. over the past month when he was in the hospital after a heart attack and a mild form of pneumonia. He has been home now for about three weeks and says he is feeling pretty much back to normal. We are grateful that he was able to celebrate his 91st birthday with the family and close friends.
- Please pray for Karen, friend of Susan Klingler, who had a heart attack, has blockage in her heart, and has bronchitis. Please also pray for Karen's sister, Debbie, who is concerned about Karen and recently lost her husband. From Lisa Villevik.
- Please pray for healing and peace for Roy Yates as he recovers and rehabs from a fall.
- Please pray for my friend's daughter, Angela. Angela had an emergency liver transplant last year and recently had a complication. This resulted in an aneurysm that necessitated emergency surgery. So far, her kidneys are still functioning, and she has been taken off the ventilator. The repair is not long term sustainable, and she is back on a liver transplant list. She is currently on the transplant floor and has taken short walks and is exercising to strengthen her body. Her family appreciates your prayers. From Annette King.
- Please pray for my sister-in-law, Sherry Johnson, who just found out she has to have dialysis every day for the rest of her life. Also, prayers for my brother, Bob, as he has to learn how to use the machines. From Pat Erickson.
- We pray for Rosemary Rheinheimer's daughter, Juliana, who has been diagnosed with Hashimoto disease. Rosemary is visiting Juliana in Brazil and they appreciate our prayers.
- **Update:** Margaret's daughter, Rita: her cancer has spread, and her doctors have said there is nothing they can do. She is home without any treatment options. Please surround Rita, Margaret, and their family with prayer as this is devastating news. From Lisa Villevik.
- **Update:** We are guardedly excited. Mike's great granddaughter, LeAnne, is being allowed to return to her traditional high school setting. She is continuing to receive treatments for her leukemia, but while not yet in remission (the cancer is still there), her chemotherapy is not at the bombardment stage any longer and her doctors say that many kids at this stage can tolerate a return to moderate social gatherings. Her cancer counts and vital sign markers are looking much more favorable. She has gained weight and her hair is growing out fast. Her final chemo treatments are scheduled for late summer 2026. While these are all "good" things, please continue to keep LeAnne in your prayers. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- Please keep Adison & Ainslee, grandchildren of Mike & Martha Clemans, in your prayers. Adison is in Ohio to attend college and play baseball. Ainslee is in Austin to teach 7th grade math. From Mike & Martha Clemans.

- Lisa, daughter of a friend of Elizabeth Nelson, has a spider bite wound that is not healing and now threatens to require a foot or partial foot amputation. Please pray for a turnaround in her symptoms. From Elizabeth Nelson.
- Ari & Robin Kohler's sister-in-law fell and injured her knee and leg. Please pray for healing.
- Jay Kuhnenn and his mother continue to have back issues. **Update:** Jay's fusion on his back is now scheduled for November. His mother received an injection and has had some relief. Marcia's dementia continues to progress. Thank you for your continued prayers.
- **Update:** Sandy was diagnosed with atrial fibrillation along with her battles with spinal stenosis and neuropathy. Please keep praying for less pain, more comfort, mobility and good test results. She is very grateful for your continued prayers. Thank you from Annette King.
- Alan Villevik's sister, Mary Rogers, was diagnosed with an aggressive type of cancer. She chose not to proceed with surgery or chemotherapy. Please pray for comfort and freedom from any pain and for our nephew, Bob Rogers, who is caring for her. From Dottie & Alan Villevik.
- Our friend has been diagnosed with non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH). She needs a liver transplant. Please pray for a donor and as she waits, pray for strength and healing. From Alan & Vicki.
- We pray for Jean Kanter for healing, strength, peace, and happiness. Thank you.
- We pray for Carol Gresham.
- Marilee Richards' daughter, Karen, has very painful involuntary muscle contractions due to an illness. Prayers for pain relief and healing are appreciated. From Lisa Villevik.
- The father of a friend of Ari & Robin Kohler was recently diagnosed with bladder cancer. Prayers for his healing and for his daughter Meredith are appreciated. From Ari Kohler.
- Please pray for Ari Kohler's sister, Lolita, as she deals with health issues.
- Please pray for my daughter and son-in-law, Joanna & Jason and their 2½ year old daughter, Violet. Violet has been diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes. Prayers for their ability to manage Violet's high blood glucose levels, a new baby, and Joanna's continuing recovery from a C-section. From Diane Preston.
- **Update:** Jade, our grandson, is still doing outpatient dialysis. He is being tested by UW for kidney transplant. He is still able to work for which we are all thankful. Please continue all prayers. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer. From Jimmy Sharp.
- Our nephew, Ben, is in dire need of a new kidney. Please pray for a donor and visit and share this website with all: <https://www.kidneyforben.com/>. From John & Lisa Gebert.
- Please pray for Robin & Ari Kohler's niece, Lola, as she deals with health issues.
- We pray for Marsha Lueth who has health issues that are preventing her from doing the things she would like to. She is comfortable, but we pray for healing and peace from the Holy Spirit.
- Please pray for my father-in-law, Richard Alfnejd, who continues to battle stage four cancer. From Emily Alfnejd.

- Monica's husband, Robby, is still struggling with the effects of his stroke. Prayers are appreciated. From Mike and Martha Clemans
- Aaron, a friend of Lisa Villesvik, has been very ill and has gone through dozens of tests. The cause of his illness has not been identified, and he is very discouraged. Please pray he will be restored to health and hope.

Continued Prayers

- Family of Tracy Klingler
- Family of Marilyn Larsen
- Family of Barbara Yates
- Family of Mary Grosse
- Family of Michael Goza
- Family of Bev Brandt

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How Lovely, Lord

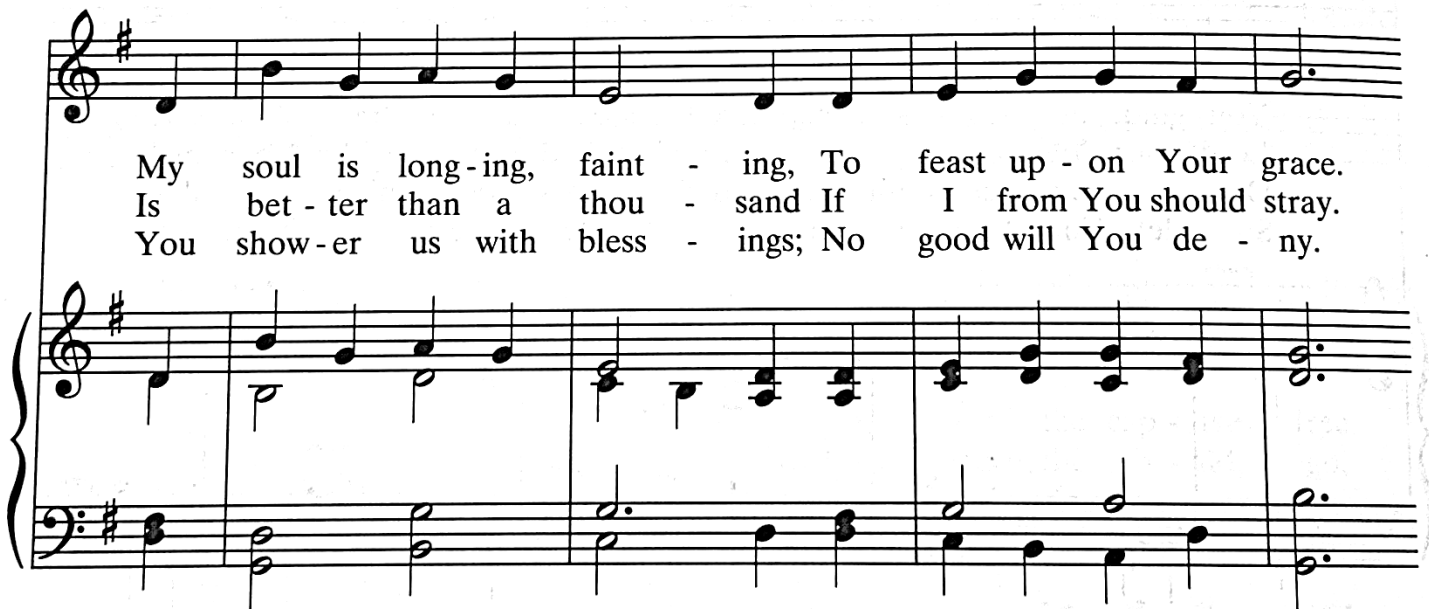
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1. How love - ly, Lord, how love - ly Is Your a - bid - ing place;
 2. In Your blest courts to wor - ship, O God, a sin - gle day
 3. A sun and shield for - ev - er Are You, O Lord Most High;



My soul is long - ing, faint - ing, To feast up - on Your grace.
 Is bet - ter than a thou - sand If I from You should stray.
 You show - er us with bless - ings; No good will You de - ny.

The spar - row finds a shel - ter, A place to build her nest;
I'd rath - er keep the en - trance And claim You as my Lord
The saints, Your grace re - ceiv - ing, From strength to strength shall go,

And so Your tem - ple calls us With - in its walls to rest.
Than rev - el in the rich - es The ways of sin af - ford.
And from their life shall riv - ers Of bless - ing o - ver - flow.

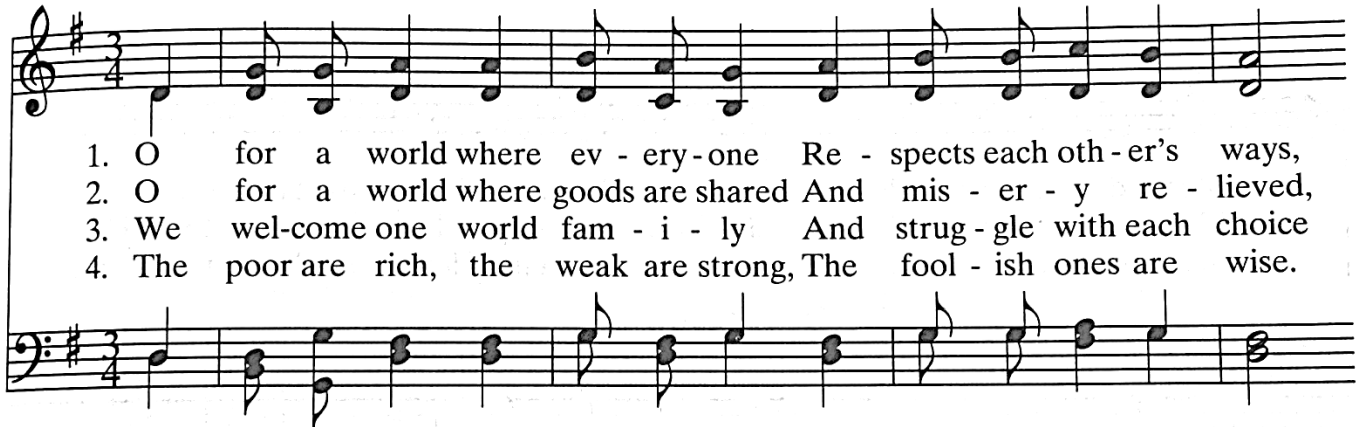
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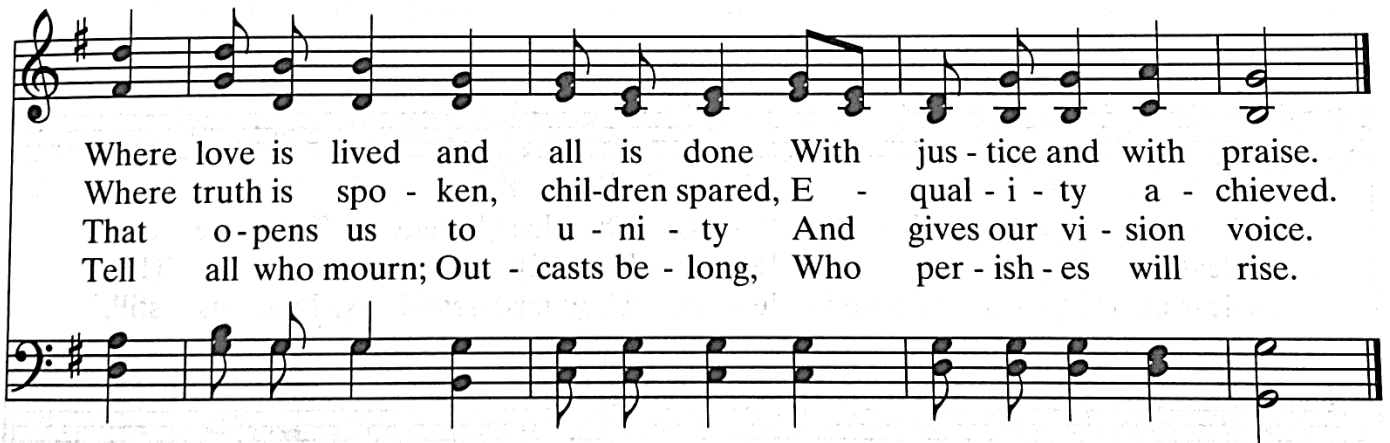
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Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

Miriam Therese Winter, 1987



1. O for a world where ev - ery - one Re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2. O for a world where goods are shared And mis - er - y re - lieved,
3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly And strug - gle with each choice
4. The poor are rich, the weak are strong, The fool - ish ones are wise.



Where love is lived and all is done With jus - tice and with praise.
Where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, E - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty And gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn; Out - casts be - long, Who per - ish - es will rise.

5. O for a world preparing for
God's glorious reign of peace,

Where time and tears will be no more,
And all but love will cease.

Alternate version, 466

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