

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin for FPCE Facebook Live at 10am

November 15, 2020

Prelude – *Prelude of Patriotic Airs* – Callahan Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell – Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome – Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship – Psalm 121

One: I lift up my eyes to the hills— from where will my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**All: He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

One: The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

**All: The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

Hymn – *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven* #478

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
to his feet your tribute bring.

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
evermore his praises sing.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise the everlasting King!

3 Father-like he tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame he knows.

In his hand he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Widely yet his mercy flows!

2 Praise him for his grace and favor  
to his people in distress.

Praise him, still the same as ever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glorious in his faithfulness!

4 Angels, help us to adore him;  
you behold him face to face.

Sun and moon, bow down before him,  
dwellers all in time and space.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise with us the God of grace!

Prayer of Confession and the Lord's Prayer

Lord, this morning as we gather virtually, we ask your Holy Spirit to unite us. It does feel like we are totally separated. We are weary and struggle to love ourselves as we practice loving our neighbors. We know there are divisions in our nation, but in reality, the daily work of navigating life now is more stress and confusion than we admit. We begin to question your faithfulness as the days blur together. As we worship today, we note our sin and confess it to

you. We may feel insignificant compared to those we think are giants in faith. We deflect our inaction by saying we are humble and assign failures to others believing myths of our self-righteousness. Forgive us Lord for resting on the gifts and talents you give us. Restore us to a proper view of our connected nature as your body and release us from complacency. Calm our minds, so we would hear your voice. Still our strength, so we would rest in you. Free our hearts to rejoice in you. Speak to us as we confess our sin and give attention to your love as we pray.

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your 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.**

Scripture – Matthew 25: 14-30

Sermon – *Invest Well*

Hymn – *We Give Thee but Thine Own* #428

1 We give thee but thine own,  
whate'er the gift may be;  
all that we have is thine alone,  
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

3 To comfort and to bless,  
to find a balm for woe,  
to tend the lonely in distress  
is angels' work below.

2 May we thy bounties thus  
as stewards true receive,  
and gladly, as thou blessest us,  
to thee our first fruits give.

4 The captive to release,  
to God the lost to bring,  
to teach the way of life and peace--  
it is a Christlike thing.

5 And we believe thy Word,  
though dim our faith may be;  
whate'er for thine we do, O Lord,  
we do it unto thee.

Prayer for Veterans

Solo – *God Bless the USA*

Steve Torrence

Benediction

Postlude – *Postlude on the National Anthem* - Callahan

Gary Norris

## Announcements

*Join us for our learning series on Christianity!*

This course has been great. We have learned and been challenged studying our own faith. Feel free to join us through the link below at 12pm.

FPCE Sunday Coffee Time and Bible Study – Zoom Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82991650201?pwd=ZDE1YzRZaDhIRWFteDg5ZC9xaUMxQT09>

Meeting ID: 829 9165 0201

Passcode: 049854

- Virtual Coffee Time at 11:15am today! Use the link above to join for a relaxed time of greeting and talking to each other.
- Next Sunday we will be having virtual worship at 10am.
- Lunch with Pastor Alan this week is on Tuesday at 12pm.
- We are using Zoom for a Thursday Bible Study at 4pm. We are looking at the words of Jesus. This Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, we will be studying Matthew 23.
- All videos are linked to our web page, app, and YouTube channel.
- **Volunteers of America Food Drive – 419 pounds! Awesome job and Thank you!**

**On November 8th, we played Sermon Bingo**

Congratulations to Leslie Sutin, Annette King, Nadine Smith, and Linda Senter for turning their bingo cards in for a prize!

## Prayer Updates November 15, 2020

- Prayers for Roy Gresham diagnosed with Lymphoma. Carol and Roy appreciate our prayers. When more details are known, more information will come. Thanks for your support.
- Prayers for Jay Kuhnhenh's mom who has breast cancer. She is having tests to determine treatment.
- Marilyn Minch has a fractured right wrist, now in a cast; time will tell whether surgery will be required. from Shirley Solberg and Marilyn
- Prayers for Lin Davis as he had a heart procedure this past week. He is home recovering.
- Thank you for your continued prayers for our daughter, Jan Geibel. She finished her chemotherapy treatments for colon cancer and received a clear CT scan and her blood work showed no sign of cancer. Now she will get CT scans every 3 months. Jan is feeling healthy and very thankful! From Judy and Clyde Pitcher
- Pray for Susan Finkbinder, she is a co-worker of my daughter and was taken to the hospital in serious condition - Thank you Judy Hutchison
- Prayers for Marilee Richard's family. Her sister-in-law died after battling cancer.

- Prayers for Clyde and Judy Pitcher. Clyde is home recovering.
- Pray for Pat Stanley and her husband Dennis as Pat is battling cancer and in hospice care. From Bob and Barbara Barren
- Prayers for Mike Gresham, his family is moving to Colorado soon. From Carol and Roy Gresham
- Thank you for your prayers for Paul and Nicole Dorway.
- Update on Leslie Sutin's nephew Jason. He is no longer in need of a liver transplant. The new medication is working. Praise God and we continue to pray.
- Pray for Lisa Comstock's Aunt Mary and Uncle Len. Mary had a surgery and was in the hospital for longer than expected. She is now home. However, Len fell and is in the hospital with a broken elbow, cuts and swelling on his face.
- Update: Tim and MaryAnne LeCompte. MaryAnne is slowly recovering from her stroke and is in long term rehab – Tony and Lois Tysseling.
- Gregg DeSchepper died. Terrie appreciates continued prayers. – from Tony and Lois Tysseling.
- Our daughter Jessica Rozal completed chemo and started radiation treatment on the 23rd. Thank you for your prayers and support – from Bob and Barbara Barren.
- We pray for Marilee Richards' friend Kim. Kim has Covid-19 and is ill with underlying health problems.
- Hugh Minor prayers for recovery.
- Update: Bonnie (Miller) Ronan is under home hospice care. Continued prayers for her pain management and comfort. No visitors. From Annette King
- Update: Larry O'Donnell is doing well and has been home for several months now. He takes short walks and is working on a local history book. He appreciates our continued prayers – from Annette King
- Update: Grandson Matt remains alcohol free nine months after his rehab graduation in November. Continued prayers are appreciated. – from Annette King.
- Prayers for Elizabeth Nelson with ongoing health issues.
- Prayers for Maureen, Judy Hammond's mother. We lift up all families who are apart from each other. We pray for health, safety, and comfort.
- Cody Richards as he is being shipped to the Middle East, from grandmother Marilee Richards.
- Celia Gordon asks for prayers as she begins cancer treatment again.
- Jim White, prayers for cancer recovery from Celia Gordon.
- Prayers for Stephanie, daughter of Renee Lambert, for Crohn's related surgery and her hospitalization three times in the last month – from Diane Preston

#### Continued Prayers for FPCE

- Prayers for members and families who have lost loved ones during our time apart:
  - Dorothy Nerison
  - Rev. Ed Coon
  - Merle Kirkley
  - Family of Letty Ownings

- Family of Prince Schaefer
  - Family of Dr. George Youngstrom
  - Jay Kuhnhenh
  - Peggy Ulvestad
  - Judy Oberg
  - Judy Campbell
  - Jan Weakley
  - Family of Maurine Murray
- Bev Fox
  - Robby as he continues to heal and for Monica helping every step of the way – from Martha and Mike Clemans
  - Cindy Rowlands
  - Prayers for Hannah – Carol and Roy Gresham
  - Jay Gano – Jan Weakley
  - Prayers for Jan Geibel – Clyde and Judy Pitcher’s daughter
  - Prayers for friend and neighbor, Doug, as he battles lung cancer – Tony and Lois Tysseling
  - Bonnie (Miller) Ronan – Annette King.
  - Pray for Terrie and Gregg, friends of the Tysselings
  - Bob Salinas, brother of Rose and Sam Capetillo
  - 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.

- Don and Joan Lyderson
- Suzan, Judy Kutz’s sister
- Dale and Janet Good