

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin – 10am

July 24, 2022

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

Prelude *Prelude on “Converse” - What a Friend We Have in Jesus* – Arr Haan
Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome Darcie Cooper

Missionary Update – Yucatan Helping Hands Byron, Inez & Kawika Ahina

Call to Worship (Adapted from Psalm 85) Darcie Cooper

One: Let us hear what God the Lord has to speak, for El Shaddai will speak peace to her people, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

All: Surely redemption is at hand for those who are in awe of God whose glory dwells in our world!

One: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet. Righteous and peace will kiss each other.

All: Faithfulness will spring up from the ground and righteousness will look down from the sky. The Lord will give what is good. Praise to God – hallelujah!

Hymn *Open My Eyes That I May See* #324

Prayers of Confession (Adapted from Psalms 77 and 85) and the Lord’s Prayer Darcie Cooper

One: We look at our hurting world and wonder: Has God forgotten to be merciful? Has the Lord in anger withheld compassion? Gracious God, have mercy on us when we doubt your love because of the pain we feel and the violence we see.

All: Your ways, God, are holy. What God is as great as our God? You are the God who performs miracles. Your path led through the mighty water, though your footprints were not seen. You came in power and grace. Yet, instead of awe, we felt nothing. Jesus, forgive us when we do not recognize the blessings you give, the miracles around us, or the paths you point us toward. (Time for silent prayer of personal confession)

One: Knowing that in Christ we are welcomed with mercy and completely forgiven, let’s join our voices in the prayer Jesus taught the disciples:

Announcements

Flowers today are from Merle Kirkley To honor and in memory of Joanne on her 79th birthday

From our guest pastor, Jonna...

Fostering spiritual riches centered in God, powered by the Holy Spirit

Galatians 5:22-23 from the Message Translation: "But what happens when we live God's way? [The Spirit] brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in an orchard – things like affection for others, exuberance about life, serenity. We develop a willingness to stick with things, a sense of compassion in the heart, and a conviction that a basic holiness permeates things and people. We find ourselves involved in loyal commitments, not needing to force our way in life, able to marshal and direct our energies wisely."

Galatians 5:22-23 from the Passion Translation: "But the fruit provided by the Holy Spirit within you is divine. This love is revealed through: Joy that overflows, peace that subdues, patience that endures, kindness in action, a life full of virtue, faith that prevails, gentleness of heart, and strength of spirit. Never set a law above these qualities, for they are meant to be limitless."

Reflection-action questions:

- Which 1 or 2 fruit of the Spirit above draw your attention for prayer or meditation? How will you incorporate this into your devotional times in the coming days and weeks?
- Which 1 or 2 fruit of the Spirit might guide "love your neighbor" efforts that you do individually or collectively this year and next? In what ways can you "live in the surrendered freedom of yielding to the Holy Spirit?" (Gal 5:25, the Passion Translation)
- How can you pile up wealth (blessings) in a Godward direction? See Luke 12:21 & 1 Timothy 6:11-18.

Deacon on Duty

Pastor Alan is on sabbatical. He will be offline through September 6th when he returns to the office and will lead worship on September 11th. We will have great pastors filling the pulpit over the summer and our Deacons want to make sure member needs are being met. To assist, our Deacons are going 'on-call' over the summer. In July, feel free to contact our July Deacons on Duty, Sonya Beardsley (425-334-0140), Amy Farnham (206-914-0274) for visitation needs or prayer updates. This is another way our Deacons care for our congregation. Stay tuned for August updates.

Church Work Party – Saturday, July 30 at 9:00 am

Welcome, one and all, to our Summer Outdoor Work Party on July 30 from 9:00 am to noon. Plan for coffee and donuts, weeding, camaraderie, demolition, and general church beautification. Your support is always appreciated! Meet outside near bell tower at 9:00 am.

Church Picnic – August 28

The Christian Formation and Discipleship Committee invites you to save the date for our All-Church Picnic on Sunday, August 28th at Hauge Homestead Park picnic shelter, 1819 – 121st St SE, Everett, just off 19th Avenue SE at Silver Lake, between Emory’s restaurant on Silver Lake and The Everett Clinic at Silver Lake. More details to come!

- Next Sunday we will have hybrid worship at 10am.
- All videos are linked to our web page, app, and YouTube channel.
- Lunch with Pastor Alan is taking a sabbatical break. Look for us to resume lunch in September.
- **Sunday School** Today, in place of our usual Sunday School class we’ll be having a presentation and discussion by our guest pastor on ministry in Central Asia. Join us from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm in hybrid format, both in-person in Calvin Lounge and on Zoom. Join Zoom using this link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902?pwd=ck5NR2hwOUd3cXFRaVQ2ZUVyRXJoUT09>
 - Meeting ID: 431 912 4902
 - Passcode: FPCE!22
- **Thursday Bible Study is July 28 at 4 pm.** Shirley Solberg will lead us in I Corinthians chapters 10 and 11 with key concepts of Lawful vs. Edifying. Hierarchy. Lord’s Supper. Join us every Thursday for scripture and discussion via Zoom:
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To all worshipping with us:

- Masks are optional in our facility
- The first six rows of the sanctuary are open seating
- The back rows are every other pew for more spacing

Even as we move into this new chapter, we affirm a cautious approach by:

- Having masks and hand sanitizer available for use
- Keeping socially distanced
- Using prefilled communion cups

If there is any confusion, concerns, or questions, please contact Pastor Alan or a Session member. 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.

My deepest thanks for your warm welcome, kind response and expressions of friendship over these several weeks in May and July. Several asked for copies of my final sermon centered on the Lord's Prayer supported by those three powerful lessons from scripture: John 3:16, John 5:16 and II Corinthians 5:19. You may obtain a copy from Doreen in the church office. She can either email one to you or copy and mail one to you. May our God who promises that "by his power within you, he can do more than you could ever dare to ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever!" Amen. – Ephesians 3:14



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Prayer Updates July 24, 2022

- We pray for our county and city leaders as they navigate the COVID crisis in our community.
- We pray for the Uyghur people in China. They are facing tremendous religious persecution for following Christ. We pray for all persecuted Christians around the world and seek the Holy Spirit to bring hope and grace to all situations.
- We pray for the children, families, and teachers affected by the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas.
- We pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine.
- Rev. Karen Summers has been hospitalized with COVID and would appreciate prayer. From Shirley Solberg.
- We pray for Marilee Richards who is very sick with COVID. From Lisa Comstock.
- We pray for Willard who has stage 4 cancer. From Lisa Comstock.
- We pray for Lillian who has serious cardiac issues. From Lisa Comstock.
- We pray for Marshel Gleason who is in a coma from COVID. From Judy Hutchison.
- We pray for Jean Kanter who is home recovering from the hospital. She thanks everyone for their prayers.
- Please pray for Randy and his wife to find a place to call home and for his supervisors at his job to find it in their hearts to let him attend my mom's funeral. From Jodi Donley.
- Martha Klingler is recovering from COVID. She appreciates prayers for a speedy recovery with no complications. From Susan Klingler and Dottie Villevik.
- Update: We pray for Ida who has cancer and is on hospice. From Lisa Comstock.
- We pray for Jim Iles who has cancer. From Marilyn Minch.
- We pray for Janet Good who is in rehab.
- We pray for Susan Lynn who was diagnosed with breast cancer. She began radiation and we are grateful for the care and love she is receiving from her family. We pray for God's presence and comfort to be with her during this time.
- We pray for Genny Heuer who is recovering from COVID. Thank you for your prayers. From Jimmy Sharp.
- Update: Genny Heuer's niece, Shannon Steed and her baby are doing well. Thank you for your prayers. From Jimmy Sharp.


- Update as we pray for Marilee Richard's friend, Doug Paine who is blind and he was hit by a car and is in critical condition in Harborview. He is home from the hospital and recovering. Continued prayers are welcome.
- Please pray for Joyce Richardson as she recovers from health problems. Please also pray for Paul Richardson's sister Becky. From Kory Kanter.
- Larry O'Donnell continues to amaze with his improved energy level. PTL! Please pray for his continued improvement. From Annette King.
- Update: Wes's recent doctor's appointment confirmed good recovery from most of his December complications. PTL! However, his shortness of breath is still a concern; please keep praying. Hoping this will be over in the next few months. From Annette King.

Continued Prayers for FPCE

- Prayers for members and friends during our time apart.
- Family of Scott Morrow
- Family of Roy Gresham
- Florence Day
- Family of John Moir
- Family of Lucille Hofer
- Robert Henry
- Genevieve Heuer – friend of Jimmy Sharp
- Carol Gresham
- Family of Liz Lombard
- Arlene Mawudeku
- 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 and Judy Pitcher
- Robby as he continues to heal and for Monica helping every step of the way – from Martha and Mike Clemans
- Cindy Rowlands
- Prayers for Jan Geibel – Clyde and Judy Pitcher's daughter
- Prayers for friend and neighbor, Doug Dawson, as he goes through another round of chemotherapy– Tony and Lois Tysseling
- 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 for Suzan, Judy Kutz's sister and Dale and Janet Good.

Open My Eyes That I May See

Psalm 119:18 

OPEN MY EYES 8.8.9.8 with refrain

Clara H. Scott, 1895

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1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see Glimps - es of truth Thou hast for me;
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear Voic - es of truth Thou send - est clear;
 3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear Glad - ly the warm truth ev - ery - where;



Place in my hands the won - der - ful key That shall un - clasp and set me free.
 And while the wave notes fall on my ear, Ev - ery - thing false will dis - ap - pear.
 O - pen my heart, and let me pre - pare Love with Thy chil - dren thus to share.



Refrain

HOLY SPIRIT



Si - lent - ly now I wait for Thee, Read - y, my God, Thy will to see;



eyes,
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
 heart,



422 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

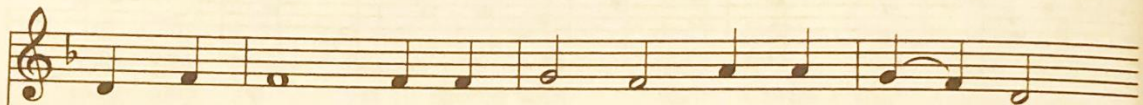
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The Sacred Harp, 1844
Harm. James H. Wood, 1958

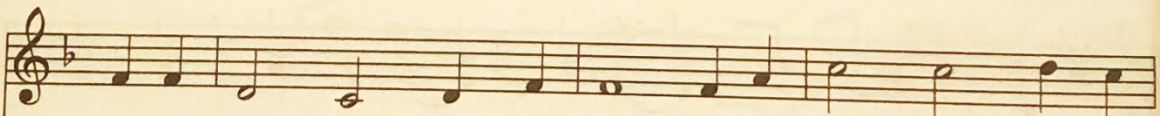
Robert L. Edwards, 1961



1. God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, From Your rich and
2. Skills and time are ours for press - ing Toward the goals of
3. Trea - sure too You have en - trust - ed, Gain through powers Your

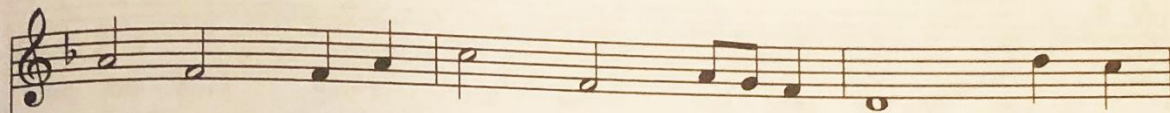


end - less store, Na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom,
Christ, Your Son: All at peace in health and free - dom,
grace con - ferred; Ours to use for home and kin - dred,



Cost-ly cross, grave's shat - tered door: Gift-ed by You, we turn
Rac-es joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
And to spread the gos - pel Word. O - pen wide our hands, in





to You, Of-fering up our - selves in praise; Thank-ful
la - bor, Lest we strive for self a - lone; Born with
shar - ing, As we heed Christ's age - less call, Heal - ing,



song shall rise for - ev - er, Gra-cious do - nor of our days.
tal - ents, make us ser - vants Fit to an - swer at Your throne.
teach - ing, and re - claim - ing, Serv-ing You by lov - ing all.

