

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin for FPCE Facebook Live at 10am
December 27, 2020

Prelude – *The First Nowell* – Arr Whitworth Gary Norris, Organist

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

Welcome – Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship – Psalm 148

One: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

All: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

One: Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars!

All: Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

One: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for he commanded and they were created.

All: He established them forever and ever; he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

One: Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command!

All: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds!

One: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and women alike, old and young together!

All: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

One: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him.

All: Praise the Lord!

Hymn – *Angels from the Realms of Glory* #22

Hymns can be found at the end of this bulletin

Prayer of Confession and the Lord's Prayer

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.

Quartet – *Away in a Manger* Jean Rankin, Tony Tysseling,
Leslie and Rob Sutin
Directed by Steve Torrence

Scripture – Matthew 5:14-16

Sermon – *Who would have thought?*

Hymn *While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night* #59

Benediction

Postlude – *God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman* – Arr Whitworth Gary Norris, Organist

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Announcements

- We will be taking the next two weeks off for Virtual Coffee and Bible Study. We hope you rejoin us for these activities on Sunday January 17th. Steve Hammond will be leading a great course on Luther: Gospel, Law, and Reformation, by Professor Phillip Carey.
- Next Sunday we will be having virtual worship at 10am. It is a communion Sunday, so we invite you to prepare elements to be celebrated at home.
- All videos are linked to our web page, app, and YouTube channel.
- Lunch with Pastor Alan will resume on Tuesday January 12th.
- Our Thursday Zoom Bible Study resume on Thursday January 7th.
- We want to thank Lucy for singing in worship last week!

Prayer Updates December 27, 2020

- Prayers for Jay Kuhnhenn's mom as she heals from surgery.
- Bev Fox with COVID.
- We pray with Sam and Rose Capetillo for Carol Bailey, mom died in AZ, co-worder who died, and Rose's sister as her husband died with Alzheimer's.
- Prayers for Kathy Hammond, a cancer survivor twice and again diagnosed with cancer, stage 3 from Jan Weakley, friend.
- Prayers for Linda Senter's great-niece Leanne, diagnosed with Berger's Disease. This kidney disease is incurable, but manageable. Treatment disables the immune system, and she has to be isolated till at least next June, due to risk of Covid.
- Tricia Meier Countryman was readmitted to Providence Hospital with pulmonary embolism. She has several blood clots, including her lungs. Please keep her and her doctors in prayer for correct diagnosis & treatment. From Annette King

- Prayers for Sam and Rose Capetillo and their family as their son Kristopher died. We lift them up during this difficult time.
- Roy Gresham received good news as his Lymphoma has not spread, but is localized. He is doing well and anticipates five more rounds of chemotherapy. We are grateful for this news and continue to pray for Carol and Roy.
- Prayers for Benny Romana as she recovers from pancreatic surgery. She is resting at home.
- Marilyn Minch had surgery for her broken wrist and is home healing. Thank you for continued prayers from Shirley Solberg and Marilyn.
- 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.
- Pray for Pat Stanley and her husband Dennis as Pat is battling cancer and in hospice care. From Bob and Barbara Barren
- We continue to pray for 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. 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.
- 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.
- 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 Kuhnhen
 - Peggy Ulvestad
 - Judy Oberg
 - Judy Campbell
 - Jan Weakley
 - Family of Maurine Murray
- Clyde and Judy Pitcher
- Bev Fox
- Nicole Dorway – Pastor Alan's sister-in-law
- Hugh Minor
- 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

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7

Stanzas 1-3, James Montgomery, 1816, 1825

Stanza 4, *Salisbury Hymn Book*, 1857

Henry Thomas Smart, 1867

1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
 2. Shep-herds, in the fields a - bid - ing, Watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,
 3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem-pla-tions, Bright-er vi - sions beam a - far;
 4. All cre - a - tion, join in prais-ing God the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son,

Ye, who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry Now pro-claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
 God with us is now re - sid - ing, Yon-der shines the in - fant light:
 Seek the great de - sire of na - tions; Ye have seen His na - tal star:
 Ev - er-more your voic - es rais - ing To the e-ter - nal Three in One:

Come and wor-ship, come and wor-ship, Wor-ship Christ, the new - born King!

59 While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks

CHRISTMAS CM with repeat

Nahum Tate, 1700; alt. 1987

George Frederick Handel, 1728
Arr. Lowell Mason, 1821

1. While shep-herds watched their flocks by night, All seat-ed
 2. "Fear not," said he, for might-y dread Had seized their
 3. "To you, in Da - vid's town this day, Is born of
 4. "The heayen-ly Babe you there shall find To hu - man

on the ground, The an - gel of the Lord came down,
 trou - bled mind; "Glad tid - ings of great joy I bring
 Da - vid's line The Sav - ior, who is Christ the Lord,
 view dis - played, All hum - bly wrapped in swath-ing bands,

And glo - ry shone a - round, And glo - ry shone a - round.
 To you and hu - man - kind, To you and hu - man - kind.
 And this shall be the sign, And this shall be the sign:
 And in a man-ger laid, And in a man-ger laid."

5. Thus spoke the seraph, and forthwith
 Appeared a shining throng
 Of angels praising God, who thus
 Addressed their joyful song,
 Addressed their joyful song:

6. "All glory be to God on high,
 And to the earth be peace:
 Good will to all from highest heaven
 Begin and never cease!
 Begin and never cease!"

Alternate tune: WINCHESTER OLD, 58