

Take a moment for silent personal confession and reflection.

Celebrate the miracle of the empty tomb! Rejoice in God, your Savior! Let us all know the new life gifted through Jesus Christ. In Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

Now with saints everywhere, we pray the prayer Jesus taught us, saying...

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.

Choir Anthem *Via Dolorosa*

Directed by Steve Torrence

Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Passing of the Peace

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

FPCE Sings *Standing on the Promises*

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Scripture Mark 1:1-8 (John 20:11-18)

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

Choir Anthem *See, What a Morning*

Directed by Steve Torrence

Sermon *A New Plan*

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Prayers of the People

FPCE Sings *Easter Grace**

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Easter Benediction

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Christ is Risen!

CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

Today, we have received good news!

JESUS IS RISEN, HE IS ALIVE!

Love has conquered death and darkness!

ALLELUIA!

Christ is Risen, let us go in peace!

HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA, AMEN!

Postlude *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* – Jones

Gary Norris, Organist

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Part of our liturgy today was adapted from the Presbyterian Outlook, 2024 by Teri McDowell Ott and provided for free distribution.

**Easter Grace* has been gifted by Elizabeth Nelson and Bob Barren to First Presbyterian Church Everett WA. This poem lends itself to being sung to music, particularly Leonard Cohen's "Hallelujah". Concept by: Robert Barren; Words by: Elizabeth Nelson & Robert Barren.

Our Easter Flowers were given in Honor of and in Memory of the following:

Carol Gresham

In Memory of Roy Gresham

Annette King

*In Memory of my husband Wes King &
my parents Del & Pat Gerry*

Shirley Solberg

*In Memory of niece Karen Underlin,
daughter of Marilyn Minch*

Marilyn Minch

*In Memory of my daughter,
Karen Underlin*

Jackie Minor

*In Memory of Hugh Minor from
his Family
In Honor of My Church Family*

Steve & Nancy Torrence

*In Memory of our son Chris, and our
parents Bud & Darlene Mostrom and
Gene & Micki Torrence*

Joan Lyderson

In Memory of My Husband Don Lyderson

Teresa, Daniel, Dwight, Richard &

Brian Good

Andrew, Meagan, Daria, Andrew, Gwen &
Vicky

In Memory of Janet & Dale Good

Bob & Barbara Barren

In Memory of Our Parents

Jan Weakley

In Memory of Richard D. Weakley

Judy & Alan Hutchison

*In Memory of the Ole Joki's &
the Robert Hutchisons*

Mike & Susan Davis

In Memory of Our Loving Parents

Jean & Kory Kanter

In Memory of Mort, Vic & Ben Kanter

Shirley & George Lockman

In Memory of Our Parents

Phil & Sonya Beardsley

*In Memory of D.T. & Gloren Beardsley,
parents of Phil and Clarence & Elsie
Offenstein, parents of Sonya*

Peg & Steve Ulvestad

*In Memory of Andrea, Matilda,
Eloise & Buster*

Rosemary Rheinheimer & Howard Garner

*In Memory of Ruth Garner and
William Cassady*

Amy & Doug Farnham

*In Memory of Jim & Beve Evans,
Mary K & Rollo Farnham*

Peggy Hotes

In Memory of Scott Morrow

Jamie Hunter

In Memory of Kathy Hunter

Marsha Lueth

*In Memory of Carol Beyer and
Molly Jean Montgomery*

Roberts Family

*In Memory of Harry & Carol Stuchell,
Clarence & Cathy Roberts, and
Janette Litaker*

Today's Choir Anthems

Via Dolorosa

Down the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem that day, the soldiers tried to clear the narrow street. But the crowd pressed in to see the man condemned to die on Calvary.

He was bleeding from a beating, there were stripes upon his back, and He wore a crown of thorns upon His head; and He bore with ev'ry step the scorn of those who cried out for His death.

Down the Via Dolorosa called "the Way of Suffering" like a lamb, came the Messiah, Christ the King; and He chose to walk that road out of His love for you and me. Down the Via Dolorosa all the way to Calvary.

The blood that would cleanse the souls of all men made its way through the heart of Jerusalem!

Down the Via Dolorosa called "The Way of Suffering" like a lamb, came the Messiah, Christ the King. Down the Via Dolorosa, called "the Way of Suffering", like a lamb, came the Messiah Christ the King; and He chose to walk that road out of His love for you and me. Down the Via Dolorosa all the way to Calvary; to Calvary, to Calvary....

See, What a Morning

See, what a morning, gloriously bright, with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem: folded the grave clothes, tomb filled with light, as the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"

See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice. Fulfilled in Christ, the man, for He lives; Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping. "Where is He laid? As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb; hears a voice speaking, calling her name, it's the Master, the Lord, raised to life again!

The voice that spans the years, speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us, will sound till He appears, for He Lives. Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days, through the Spirit Who clothes faith with certainty. Honor and blessing, glory and praise to the King crowned with power and authority!

And we are raised with Him, death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered; and we shall reign with Him, for He lives; Christ is risen from the dead!

For He lives; Christ is risen from the dead! Alleluia!

Announcements

What is *Per Capita*?

Per capita means “for each person” which describes the way our denomination pays for the operating overhead of the church at all levels beyond the congregation. We are part of the Northwest Coast Presbytery and together with the other 54 congregations and 7 worshipping fellowships, through *per capita*, we fund the staff and operational budget to engage, equip and encourage congregations and their leaders.

The First Presbyterian Church of Everett’s portion is based on church membership numbers and for 2024, our total *per capita* support is \$9,853.95. That is \$55.05 per member (Presbytery-\$45; Synod-\$.25; PC(USA) General Assembly-\$9.80). We pay the total every year as part of our connectional nature as a church. If you can give above and beyond your pledge or tithe toward *per capita*, we thank you. You can add *per capita* to the memo line of your check or click on the *per capita* tab on our on-line giving portal.

Earth Care Program – April 7th

APRIL IS EARTH MONTH. After four years of Covid, the Estuary Angels Committee is excited to present another Earth Care program. On Sunday, April 7, after coffee time, in Calvin Lounge, Sara Holzknicht will talk and show slides on Climate Change. Sara is Director of Sustainability at Bellevue College. Previously, she ran the Washington State campaigns for Oceana, an international ocean conservation NGO, where she worked to address plastic pollution, offshore drilling, and build sustainable fisheries at the state, federal, and local levels. Prior to her work with Oceana, she co-founded local climate advocacy non-profit 350 Eastside, where she organized local decarbonization efforts and community education. She holds a Master's in Energy and Climate Policy from Johns Hopkins University and a Bachelor's in Business Administration from University of Washington, Bothell. Please join us for this special event.

REPAIRING THE BREACH – One Great Hour of Sharing 2024

We are currently collecting our first Special Offering of the Year - One Great Hour of Sharing. Funds collected from this offering are split between three PC(USA) ministries: Presbyterian Disaster Relief (32%), Presbyterian Hunger Program (36%), & Self-Development of People (32%). These three programs all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. This year, we will be collecting this offering through April 7th, although later gifts will still be welcomed. Simply use the envelopes in the pews, choose the “One Great Hour of Sharing” fund on the online giving platform, or note “OGHS” on the memo line of your check. For more information, scan the QR code on the back of the insert or speak with Kari Nupen or Dottie Villevik after church.

Priscilla Circle – April 8

Priscilla Circle will meet on Monday, April 8 at 11:30 am in Calvin Lounge. We will be discussing Chapter 8 in our study book. Brown bag lunch is optional All women are welcome.

CFD First Annual Bake Off – April 14th During Coffee Hour

Do you love to bake? Or just want to give it a try? Join us for the CFD First Annual Bake Off and bring a treat in one of these categories: cookies/bar cookies, cake/pie/cupcakes, fancy pastries, or ‘other’. Please bring 30-50 samples either premade or ready to serve by 11 am. Bring a sign to identify your entry (please state if it contains nuts) and don't forget to encourage tasters to vote for your treat. Sign up at the welcome booth by April 7th. Contact Teresa Good or any CFD member with any questions.



Deacons

Today is Easter and we have had a time of reverence and food. There was food at the brunch before the service and there will be snacks when the service is over. Enjoy. They are for you. But where does this all come from? It is from the Deacons with contributions from a few “civilians”.

Deacons serve the church. You are the church. There are biblical passages that describe the role of Deacons and Elders. Both groups form the working body of the church. It is a commitment. Most of the food and snacks are gifted. The labor is voluntarily given without thought of reimbursement, return, or recognition.

Thank a Deacon. Thank an Elder. These are people voluntarily working on your behalf. There are “green envelopes” in the pews marked “Deacon’s Fund”. This money is used to fund activities within and outside the church. Feel free to contribute. It will further the effectiveness of all of us.

Nursery Volunteers Needed

CFD is looking for volunteers to work in the nursery on a rotating schedule. If you are interested, please contact Teresa Good.

Youth Sunday School

We will be kicking off youth Sunday school on April 7th. All children are invited to come to the youth room on the second floor during the Passing of the Peace.

Men’s Breakfast – April 13th

The Men’s Breakfast is Saturday, April 13th from 8:30 am to 10:00 am. All men are invited to attend this time of fellowship and Bible study, not to mention breaking of bread. We hope to see you!

SCRABBLE

We invite newbies, the average “word-joe”, experts, mentors, and YOU to join us on April 3rd and April 17th 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. Hope to see YOU there!

VOA Food Donations

We donated 254 pounds to the Volunteers of America Food Bank here in Everett this month! Awesome job! Our next drive-through collection is Monday, April 8th 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. Thank you for your donations.

Musicians Request

Do you play or have a musical gift that you would be willing to share with the congregation? If so, then please contact Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries or talk with Pastor Alan. We would love to have you add your gifts to our worship experience.

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...

- **Adult Sunday School** – There is no Adult Sunday School today.
- **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** – is on break for a couple weeks. We will resume in April.
- **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 March 31, 2024

- We pray for peace and the cessation of war in Israel/Palestine. While there are historical and political complexities and layers to this conflict, we boldly pray for Israeli and Palestinian families who have been caught in the middle and torn apart. We pray for those grieving, for those suffering, for those confused, and for those whose only reaction is to seek revenge. We pray for comfort, relief, healing, and release. We seek your peace that defies understanding to settle on families, individuals, and leaders on all sides. We pray, fully knowing we do not have the answers, knowing we are weak and sometimes prejudiced, but trusting our Lord Jesus knows the answer, is working, and is present there.

- We pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine.
- Judy Pitcher thanks everyone for their wonderful support. She appreciates the cards, calls, and prayers.
- **Update:** Please pray for Judy Pitcher who is on hospice. Judy is home and we pray for comfort and peace for her and her family.
- **Update:** Jean Kanter is doing much better after some health challenges and a fall. She thanks everyone for their prayers and concern. God is great.
- Jay Kuhnhehn recently had back surgery. Your prayers for a speedy recovery and relief from pain are appreciated.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer who is having memory issues. From Jimmy Sharp.
- **Update:** I would like to thank everyone for their prayers this past year for my son, Robert Henry, following his surgery a year ago for a brain tumor. A recent MRI revealed no sign of residual tumor. Prayers have truly been answered. From Judy Campbell.
- **Update:** Praises to God! It has been six weeks since Angela had her liver transplant. Your prayers along with her belief in prayer, positive self-determination, her amazing surgical team and staff, and God's provision helped make this critical intensive liver transplant successful. With this good news, Angela and her family want to thank you for your prayers. She is working hard on her rehab and getting back to normal. Thank you and God bless you. From Annette King.
- Chris Butterfield will be consulting with a neurosurgeon regarding issues with his back and will be having surgery on his back. From Lisa Comstock.
- **Update:** Joseph Williams, brother of Sondra Santos, had a second surgery and continues to heal. The healing process from the surgery will determine what happens next. Continued prayers for healing are appreciated.
- Elizabeth Nelson's good friend Heather Burke, who has on occasion sung soprano at our church, has a sister Angie who is battling cancer. Angie is a wife, mother to a 13-year-old, and a very talented business owner. She was diagnosed with uterine cancer and is now being treated with chemotherapy. Heather appreciates our prayers.
- Steve, friend of Mike Clemans, for successful recovery from a rare form of cancer.
- Please continue to pray for our friend's mom who is undergoing treatment for a rare form of cancer. From Vicki Dorway

Continued Prayers for FPCE

- Family of Marilyn Carter
- Family of Hugh Minor
- Family of Clyde Pitcher
- Family of Deirdre Hervey
- Family of Carol Hopper
- Dale Collver – from Tom & Pat Erickson
- Arlene Mawudeku
- Jan Geibel, daughter of Judy Pitcher
- Robby as he continues to heal and for Monica helping every step of the way – from Martha and Mike Clemans

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.

EASTER

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Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN 7.7.7.7 with alleluias

Lyra Davidica, 1708

Adapted from *The Compleat Psalmist*, 1749

Desc. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1955

Stanzas 1-3, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

Stanza 4, Charles Wesley, 1740

Descant

1. Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. But the pains which He en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4. Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise e - ter - nal as God's love; Al - le - lu - ia!

Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky He's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise our God, ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

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Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef. The middle staff is a piano accompaniment in treble clef, featuring chords and melodic lines. The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in bass clef, featuring chords and melodic lines. The lyrics are centered between the middle and bottom staves.

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7 D

Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824
Adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867); alt.

Brian Wren (b. 1936)

1. Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!
2. Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its From the cav - erns of de - spair.
3. Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en Nev - er - more shall be the same.

Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: All cre - a - tion is a - mazed.
Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.
Break the bread of new cre - a - tion Where the world is still in pain.

In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, See, a spread - ing tree has grown.
Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, Not a ser - vant, but a friend.
Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"

Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing Bring a taste of love un - known.
Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na, ev - ery - one!