

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin – 10am

November 6, 2022

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

Prelude                      *Sleepers Wake* – J.S. Bach                      Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell                      Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome                      Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Minute for Deacons                      Susan Davis

Call to Worship                      Psalm 145:1-9                      Steve Hammond

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.

**Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.**

One generation shall extol your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts.

**They will recount the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works I will meditate.**

They will proclaim the might of your awesome deeds, and I will declare your greatness.

**They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.**

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

Hymn                      *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*                      #464

Scripture                      Luke 20:27-40                      Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

This is the Word of the Lord,

**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon                      *Living Faith*                      Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Communion Liturgy

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

People of God, lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the One who heals our brokenness.**

Let us offer our thanks to God, who has prepared this Table for us.

**We will bless the One who offers us life in every moment.**

God of glory, we behold your creation with wonder and blossom under the nurturing care of your love. As a stream carves a path through rock, your Spirit guides us through the rough and confounding patches of life. There is so much we don't understand, God. So many questions for which we seek answers. We praise you for your presence, for the audience you grant us as we ask, seek, and knock at your door. In this time of prayer, grant us your wisdom and your grace.

Steadfast God, you sent your son to live among us, to suffer as we suffer. We know you hear our prayers for the sick, the grieving, the victims of violence, the lonely, the tired, the overwhelmed, the frantic. We know you know the plight of the poor, the unhoused, the hungry, the marginalized. We know you are here for the dying, the despairing and the desperate. Help us, Holy God, to be here too — to be your hands and feet, to be your witnesses and bearers of your good news.

Praise Song

*I Love You, Lord*

#627, Glory to God Hymnal  
(Words at end of bulletin)

We continue to pray, send your Spirit upon the gifts of the bread and the cup,  
and upon your children who gather in this place.

Place into our empty hands your Bread made with life and mercy, that we might take justice and peace to the outcasts of our world.

Fill our parched hearts with the Cup of grace, that we might be poured out for the broken and lost in these times and places.

Heal us with the peace of this joyous feast, that we might become your people of hope.

Then, when this world passes away, and time has come to an end, we will gather around the Table in your kingdom of grace, singing our praises to you for all eternity, God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.

Choir Anthem

*Invitation to Communion*

Directed by Steve Torrence

### Communion

The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread,  
and after giving thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

**Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.**

**Do this in remembrance of me.**

In the same way he took the cup, saying:

**This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.**

**Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.**

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord, until he comes.

*Please come forward to receive communion as hosted by our Deacons. As we reflect on the mystery and grace of God, Ed Pearson and Gary Norris will be playing Panis Angelicus.*

Hymn	<i>Seek Ye First</i>	#333
<u>Benediction</u>		Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway
<i>Lord's Prayer</i>		Solo, Steve Torrence
<u>Postlude</u>	<i>Psalm 19</i> –Marcello	Gary Norris, Organist

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## Announcements

### **VOA Food Donations – November 7**

Our next non-perishable food donations will be collected on Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12pm. Pastor Alan and Ken Newman will be accepting non-perishable food in the alley. We will continue to accept food on Sundays, but we will also provide another avenue to donate and serve those who are food insecure in our community.

### **Men's Breakfast – November 12**

The Men's Breakfast is Saturday, November 12 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!

**Dorcas Circle** will meet on Thursday, November 10 at 6:30pm, in Calvin Lounge. We will continue our bible study using the Horizons Bible Study: "What My Grandmothers Taught Me". All women are welcome. Please contact Debbie Roberts or Leslie Sutin for more information.

**Priscilla Circle** will meet on Monday, November 14 at 11:30am, in Calvin Lounge. Our hostess will be Marilyn Nalbach. We will discuss plans for Christmas giving. All women are welcome.

## **Everett Holiday Tree Lighting! – November 25**

Last year we provided cookies and celebration as the City of Everett lit the downtown for the holiday season. Pastor Alan has signed us up again to help! We will be providing cookies and treats for our community on Friday November 25<sup>th</sup>. The holiday tree lighting event will be from 4-7pm that afternoon. Pastor Alan will be getting more information, but we need COOKIES. Yes, lots of them to share with those attending this event. Beginning next Sunday, you can bring cookies (bought or made) to the church and store them in the freezers in Westminster kitchen. Please label any cookies for this event so they will be used then. Again, we will need volunteers that Friday, but more information will be coming. Thank you!

## **Advent Potluck – November 27**

Join the Christian Formation and Discipleship Committee in celebrating the first Sunday in Advent! On November 27<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a potluck to kick off our Advent season right after worship. We will be passing out our Advent Devotional, singing Christmas songs led by the Deacons and Ed Pearson, and building community. Sign-ups for bringing a main course, salads, and desserts can be found at the Welcome Center.

## **More Announcements**

- Next Sunday we will have hybrid worship at 10am.
  - All videos are linked to our Facebook page, website, app, and YouTube channel.
- **Sunday School** today is 11:30am to 12:30pm in hybrid format, both in-person in Calvin Lounge and on Zoom, led by Steve Hammond. This Adult Sunday School class is based on the Teaching Company lecture series: The Dead Sea Scrolls and is a deep dive into one of the most significant discoveries ever in Biblical archeology. There is no requirement for preparation for this class, and you can drop in at any time you are able and still gain precious knowledge and insights.
  - Join Zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902>
  - Meeting ID: 431 912 4902
- **Lunch with Alan** has moved to Mondays at noon in the church library. The north door will be open at 11:45am. Coffee will be provided but bring a lunch or just come to talk and catch up.
- **Thursday Bible Study** with Pastor Alan on November 10<sup>th</sup> at 4pm using the Zoom platform. We will be looking at Chapter 48 of *We Make the Road by Walking*. However, you do not need the book. Our scripture references will be Acts 4:1-31, Thessalonians 5:1-11, 2 Timothy 1:1-14, Ephesians 6:10-20.
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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.

**Prayer Updates November 6, 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 peace between Russia and Ukraine.
- Please pray for Maggie Lamus as her cancer has returned. She has restarted treatment and we pray for peace, healing, and strength.
- Marilee Richards son-in-law, Galileo, had knee replacement surgery recently and now has a bad infection in the knee. He underwent emergency surgery on Thursday. Please pray for healing and protection for his knee.
- Please pray for my friend, Corrine, who had a double lung transplant and is having serious problems. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for my friends Aaron and Alicia, who are very sick with COVID. From Lisa Comstock.
- Update: Mason DeAndre, grandson of Tony & Lois Tysseling, had a doctor appointment on Tuesday and his bones are continuing to heal. He walks three times a day but isn't allowed to twist or bend. He is off all meds! He's disappointed that he can't begin physical therapy for a least another six weeks. Prayers for patience and continued healing will help greatly. Thank you for your prayers. From Tony & Lois Tysseling.
- Update: After a valiant four-year battle with lung cancer, our much-loved friend and special neighbor Doug Dawson passed away peacefully into a new life with Jesus. Thank you, FPCE, for your many prayers for him. From Tony and Lois Tysseling.
- Please pray for Don Collins who is having some health issues dealing with his heart. He is one of our regular helpers at Dinner at the Bell every Wednesday. From Dottie Villesvik.

- Our son-in-law, Doug Schultz, has a long recovery ahead from a spinal cord injury. Prayers are requested for strength and mobility in his legs. From Annette and Wes King
- Please pray for Marilee Richard's friend, Kimberly, who has recently been placed on hospice.
- Update: Please continue to pray for Marilee Richard's daughter, Karen and for her doctors to find the best treatment. She is having difficulty speaking. Please also pray for her husband, Robert, and son, Steven, as this is difficult for the whole family.
- Update: Please pray for Tracy McLean, Martha Klingler's daughter in Portland who has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. She started chemo on September 8. From Dottie Villevik.
- Janet Good is experiencing an unfortunate progression with Parkinson's disease, resulting in a decline in her health. Please pray for Teresa, and family as they seek strength, wisdom, and peace during this time.
- Rev. Karen Summers appreciates our continued prayers. From Shirley Solberg.
- Update: My friend Ida has died. Please pray for her family. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Willard who has stage 4 cancer. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Lillian who has serious cardiac issues. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Jim Iles who has cancer. From Marilyn Minch.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer. Thank you for your prayers. From Jimmy Sharp.
- Larry O'Donnell still amazes us – PTL! Thank you for your continued prayers for his energy level improvement. From Annette King.
- Update: Wes's shortness of breath is still a concern. We appreciate your continued prayers. From Annette King.

### **Continued Prayers for FPCE**

- Prayers for members and friends during our time apart.
- Family of Dale Good
- Family of Dean Copeland
- Family of Ethel Geniesse
- 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
- Paul & Joyce Richardson
- Arlene Mawudeku
- Doug Paine – friend of Marilee Richards

- 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
- 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 Janet Good.

## I Love You, Lord

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I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to  
 wor - ship you; O my soul, re - joice. Take  
 joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a  
 sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

This simple song of adoration provides a significant blend of individual and communal considerations, for although the text is written in the voice of one person, the music involves multiple voices singing in harmony. The resulting experience seems more shared than solitary.



## Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

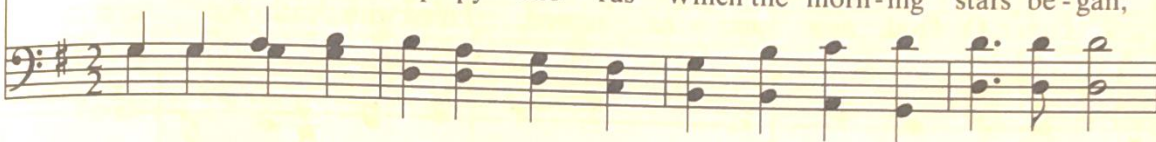
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HYMN TO JOY 8.7.8.7 D

Henry van Dyke, 1907; alt.

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

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All Thy works with joy sur - round Thee, Earth and heaven re - flect Thy rays,
3. Mor - tals, join the hap - py cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;



Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.  
Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.  
Love di - vine is reign - ing o'er us, Join - ing all in heav - en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; Drive the gloom of doubt a - way;  
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flower - y mea - dow, flash - ing sea,  
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.  
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Call us to re - joice in Thee.  
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life.



# Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY Irregular

Karen Lafferty (b. 1948)

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Chords: D, F#m, G, D, G

Descant Al - le - lu - ia, Al -

1. Seek ye first the king - dom of God And His  
 2. Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you, Seek and

Chords: D, Em, A7, D, F#m

le - lu - ia, Al - le -

righ - teous - ness, And all these things shall be  
 ye shall find, Knock and the door shall be

Chords: G, D, G, D, A7, D

lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!  
 o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!