

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin

January 29, 2023 – 10am

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

Prelude *Have Thine Own Way Lord* – Adelaide Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship Psalm 15 Bob Barren

O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

**Those who walk blamelessly and do what is right and speak the truth from their heart;**

Who do not slander with their tongue and do no evil to their friends nor heap shame upon their neighbors;

**In whose eyes the wicked are despised but who honor those who fear the Lord; who stand by their oath even to their hurt;**

Who do not lend money at interest and do not take a bribe against the innocent.

**Those who do these things shall never be moved.**

Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* #376

Prayer of Confession and Lord's Prayer Bob Barren

If we want to truly live in God's presence, we must live as God's faithful people. Let us begin by confessing the mistakes we have made, the wrongs we have done, the people we have hurt. Join me as we pray together, saying,

**What have we done to you, Lord? We dishonor you every time we treat another with disrespect. We shatter your heart when we find it easier to break our word, then to take the risk to keep it. We fill our ears with the gossip, lies, and slander spoken about those around us. You are wise enough to forgive our foolishness; you are strong enough to overcome our weakness; you are loving enough to heal the hurt we cause to you and to others. In you we find new hope and new life in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

*Silence for personal confession and reflection*

What has God done to us, shown mercy! What has God done for us, forgiven us! This is the good news for us.

**We will not boast, for it is not our doing. We will give thanks to God for such grace and hope.**

Together we pray,

**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.**

Hymn                                      *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*                                      #591

Scripture                                      Matthew 5:1-16

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

Choir Anthem                                      *10,000 Reasons, Praise the Lord*                                      Directed by Steve Torrence

Sermon                                      *Up On a Mountainside*                                      Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Hymn                                      *How Firm a Foundation*                                      #361

Benediction                                      Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Postlude                                      *Trumpet Tune in Bb Major – Lind*                                      Gary Norris, Organist

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Part of our service today has been adapted from Thom Shuman at [Lectionary Liturgies](#).

## **Announcements**

### **Church Work Party! – February 4<sup>th</sup>**

We are taking time to clean Stocker Hall kitchen with a work party on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9am. Donuts and coffee will be here, so you can too! Your support is always appreciated!

### **Shower to the People Celebration – February 5<sup>th</sup>**

On February 5<sup>th</sup> we will be celebrating Frank and Louise Fargo. Frank leads Shower to the People and has faithfully served the homeless community in Everett by providing over 25,000 showers. There will be a special time of honoring Frank during our worship service and cake will be served during coffee time.

## Deep Questions for Lent

We officially begin Lent in February. Lent asks us to reflect on the things in our lives that either take us away from or have been a barrier from God. Lent naturally brings to our minds the questions we have about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, faith, theology, and life. For instance, what have you wanted to ask a pastor, Sunday school teacher, mentor, or someone you perceive who has their faith journey under control? What nagging question about Lent, Easter, or other part of the Christian life do you have?

Rather than avoid these questions, I invite you to write them down and either email them to me ([dorway@firstpreschurch.com](mailto:dorway@firstpreschurch.com)) or add them to the offering box. Part of our Lenten practice will be to wrestle with these questions in Sunday School and in worship. You can begin to submit questions from now through Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup>.

## VOA Food Donations

We donated 275 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America Food Bank in January. Awesome job! This goes to support those in need here in Everett. We continue to accept donations and our next Monday drop-off will be February 6<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12pm. Pastor Alan and Ken Newman will be accepting non-perishable food in the alley.

## Annual Congregational Meeting & Pizza Lunch February 12th

Our annual congregational meeting will be **Sunday, February 12th** immediately after worship.

After the meeting, our Deacons will be hosting a pizza lunch with cupcakes and beverages in Westminster Hall.



## Church Directory

The church office will be publishing an updated church directory soon. The directories will be available on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Do you have an update for the directory? Is your home phone number still being used? Is your cell phone number, address, and email address current? If you have any updates for the directory, please submit them to Doreen (doreen@firstpreschurch.com) in the church office by February 6. Having current information allows us to communicate with you in a timely manner. Thank you!

## Priscilla Circle – February 13<sup>th</sup>

Priscilla Circle will be meeting on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 am, in Calvin Lounge. We will be studying chapter seven. Judy Hutchison will serve as hostess. Individuals may bring their own lunch if desired. All women are welcome.

## Ash Wednesday – February 22<sup>nd</sup>

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. This year Ash Wednesday is on February 22. We will have a simple supper at 6:00pm followed by worship and the imposition of ashes at 7:00pm. You are invited to come, join in conversation around a meal, and then begin a season of reflection through worship that evening.

## Styrofoam Recycling Event – Everett Community College – February 1<sup>st</sup>

Students for Environmental Action (SEA) invites you to be an environmental hero! Bring clean styrofoam, packing peanuts in bags or boxes, bubble wrap and plastic film to be recycled--for free! <https://www.everettcc.edu/calendar/2023/01/styrofoam-recycling-event>



BE AN ENVIRONMENTAL HERO

# STYROFOAM RECYCLING EVENT

BRING CLEAN STYROFOAM, PACKING PEANUTS IN BAGS OR BOXES, BUBBLE WRAP & PLASTIC FILM TO BE RECYCLED

**FEB 1 | 10AM - 2PM | PARKING LOT F**

PRESENTED BY SEA CLUB

The poster features a dark blue background with a central globe. At the top, the text 'BE AN ENVIRONMENTAL HERO' is written in a yellow, curved font. Below this, the words 'STYROFOAM' and 'RECYCLING EVENT' are prominently displayed in large, white and yellow, distressed-style fonts. Two stylized superhero figures, one on the left and one on the right, are shown in yellow and blue. At the bottom, the event details 'FEB 1 | 10AM - 2PM | PARKING LOT F' are written in yellow, and 'PRESENTED BY SEA CLUB' is written in white. A small logo for SEA (Students for Environmental Action) is located at the bottom center, featuring a recycling symbol and the letters 'SEA'.

## 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** is Mondays at noon in the church library. The north door will be open at 11:45am. Bring a lunch or just come to talk and catch up. Coffee is provided.
- **Thursday Bible Study** with Pastor Alan is February 2nd using the Zoom platform. We will be studying Daniel chapter 5.
  - Join Zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902>
  - Meeting ID: 431 912 4902

### *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

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 Updates January 29, 2023

- 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.
- Rev. Dr. Ed Coon recently had a pacemaker installed. He is doing well and appreciates all the prayers he felt during the last several days. Prayers for continued healing. From Dottie Villevik
- Please pray for my grandson, Cody, for direction in his life. From Marilee Richards.
- We pray for Teresa Good and family after the death of Dale and Janet Good.
- Ashley Tomlin appreciates prayers for her heart condition. She asks that the Lord wrap his love around her heart.

- Alzheimer's prayer: Sue and Art Hermansen. Art is now in a memory care situation. Prayers for both as they journey through this. From Lois Tysseling.
- Bruce Russell, friend of Lisa Comstock, is moving to hospice care soon. We pray for both Lisa and Bruce during this transition.
- Please pray for my sister, Pamala Talley who has been diagnosed with NPH (Hydrocephalus) and is awaiting surgery to correct the problem. We appreciate your support. From Bob & Barbara Barren.
- Mason DeAndre, grandson of Tony & Lois Tysseling, has been cleared for physical therapy and has a regimen of stretches and exercises. He really appreciates and thanks you for your prayers as he makes slow and steady progress. From Tony & Lois Tysseling.
- Aaron and Alicia, friends of Lisa Comstock who struggle with long-COVID problems. Thank you for your continued prayers. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Marilee Richard's daughter, Karen for comfort and direction in dealing with several health challenges.
- Please pray for Willard who has stage 4 cancer. From Lisa Comstock.

### **Continued Prayers for FPCE**

- Arlene Mawudeku – for kidney transplant
- Maggie Lamus
- Karen Summers
- Quinn Carpenter
- Genny Heuer and extended family
- Larry O'Donnell
- Florence Day
- Robert Henry
- Paul & Joyce Richardson
- LaMara Halstrom and Jane McMahan – 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.

## 376 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Charles Wesley, 1747

Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to  
 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to ev - ery  
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, Let us all Thy  
 4. Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less

earth come down, Fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing,  
 trou - bled breast! Let us all in Thee in - her - it,  
 life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er,  
 let us be; Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion

All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown! Je - sus, Thou art all com -  
 Let us find the prom - ised rest; Take a - way the love of  
 Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways  
 Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee; Changed from glo - ry in - to

pas - sion, Pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with  
 sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as  
 bless - ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove; Pray, and praise Thee  
 glo - ry, Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our

LIFE IN CHRIST



Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.  
crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise.



Alternate tune: BEECHER, 343



# Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow 591

*Doxology*

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Neil Weatherhogg, 1988

Genevan Psalter, 1551

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise Christ, all peo - ple

here be - low; Praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;

Praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

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## How Firm a Foundation

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"K" in *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787  
Ed. John Rippon; alt.

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American folk melody  
Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,  
3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
4. "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie.

Is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
For I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign

To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
And sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
Thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.

5. "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."