

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin

March 17, 2024 – 10am

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

The First Presbyterian Church of Everett welcomes you to worship. Our Friendship Pads are back in our pews. We hope you take a moment to fill them out. This is a great way for us to get to know who's worshipping with us and to connect you to our community. Again, welcome!

Prelude *Jesus, Priceless Treasure* – J.S. Bach Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Opening Day Sunday Announcement Barbara Barren

Call to Worship Psalm 95:1-7 Elizabeth Nelson

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Hymn *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* #482

Prayer of Confession and the Lord's Prayer Elizabeth Nelson

Friends, we are God's people. Yet even as we strive to know our God and walk in God's paths, we fall short. Trusting in God as a merciful covenant partner, let us confess our sin together:

Lord, with whom we journey to the cross, we confess that we are always looking for an easier way. We long for the fullness of life with you, but we are slow to abandon the comforts of the life we know. We seek the fruit of new life, but we are not willing to die to ourselves. You call us to life in community, but we stubbornly cling to "me and mine." Yet you offer the grace of life abundant, especially when our best efforts fall short. Transform us, renew us, and free us from our attachment to what was, so that you might bring us into the glory of what will be.

Take a moment for silent personal confession and reflection.

Hear the good news! We worship a God who forgives our iniquities and remembers our sins no more. Believe the promise of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. With saints everywhere, we pray the prayer Jesus taught us,

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.

Passing of the Peace

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

FPCE Sings *Because He Lives* #131

Scripture Luke 6:1-11

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

Choir Anthem *O Sacred Head* Directed by Steve Torrence

Sermon *Welcoming Worship* Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Hymn *Take My Life* #391

Prayers of the People

FPCE Sings *The Hiding Place* #195

Benediction Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Postlude *Fugue in D Minor* – Sebastian Bach Gary Norris, Organist

Today's Choir Anthem
O Sacred Head

O Sacred Head now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down. Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thy only crown.

How pale thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn! How does that visage languish which once was bright as morn!

What thou, O Lord, hast suffered was all for sinner's gain. Mine, mine was the transgression, but Thine the deadly pain.

Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place. Look on me with thy favor, grant unto me thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank thee dearest friend. For this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end.

O make me thine forever, and should I fainting be; Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee, my love to thee.

CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION

PALM SUNDAY WORSHIP
PALM SUNDAY CANTATA:
"THY WILL BE DONE"
MARCH 24 AT 10AM
SANCTUARY

MAUNDY THURSDAY
SIMPLE MEAL & WORSHIP
MARCH 28
MEAL AT 5:30PM IN
WESTMINSTER HALL
WORSHIP AT 7PM IN SANCTUARY

EASTER SUNDAY SUNRISE SERVICE
MARCH 31 AT 6:30AM
LIGHTHOUSE PARK, MUKILTEO, WA

DEACONS' EASTER
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
MARCH 31 AT 9AM
WESTMINSTER HALL

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP
MARCH 31 AT 10AM
SANCTUARY



HOLY
Week

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.

SCRABBLE

We invite newbies, the average “word-joe”, experts, mentors, and YOU to join us on March 20th 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!

Work Party – Saturday March 23rd

Have you ever struggled with changing a light bulb? Do you have too many keys to your house, but never took the time to figure out where they all go? Well, have we got some fun projects for you here at church! Join the Facilities Committee on Saturday March 23rd at 9am for a work party focusing on getting ready for Easter. Some projects will be changing light bulbs in the sanctuary, tracking down uses for the thousands of keys we randomly have, cleaning windows and pews, and if there are enough people, maybe some light outside work as well. We will meet in the library for assignments and partake in coffee and donuts to get our energy up. Questions, please talk with Steve Ulvestad.

Snohomish County Prayer Breakfast 2024 – March 29th

The Snohomish County Prayer Breakfast returns on Good Friday, March 29. This unique Christian-based event has a long tradition in our community, though it was suspended temporarily during the recent pandemic. The prayer breakfast is expected to gather about 600 members of the Snohomish County community for a time of prayer, music, fellowship, and Holy Week observance. Although the event is explicitly Christian in nature, all are welcome in the spirit of Christian love.

The prayer breakfast occurs at 7:00 am on Good Friday, at the Everett Events Center, just down the hill from our church. We have reserved two tables with 10 seats each and First Presbyterian Church of Everett congregants will have priority to reserve these seats, free of charge. We will start signups for seats at our tables on Sunday, February 25, and signups will continue through Holy Week, on a space-available basis. Look for more details in the weekly worship bulletins. You may contact Steve Hammond at 425-879-1397 if you have further questions.



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.

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** – Today at 11:30am in hybrid format, both in-person in Calvin Lounge and on Zoom. This class is based on a lecture series titled Biblical Wisdom Literature.
 - Join Zoom using this new link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86976388440?pwd=VGNidGNrbnhSQ0V5Qm1yT1dBSXZxQT09>
 - Meeting ID: 869 7638 8440
- **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** – Join Pastor Alan March 21st using the Zoom platform. We will be studying Job 42 – Last Words
 - Join Zoom using this link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89588443970?pwd=Z2VjdFFvK2c4dWhSRVdnVTIzTjNqZz09>
 - Meeting ID: 895 8844 3970
- **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 17, 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.
- **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.
- Prayers for God's healing for Jean Kanter who fell. Prayers for God's protection in the future. From Kory Kanter.
- Prayers for Susan Lynn as her brother, Mike Folkrod, died.
- Marilyn Carter died on March 9th. Please keep her family in prayer.
- Prayers for Dale Collver. He has non-Hodgkin's cancer that has progressed into a more aggressive cancer next to his kidneys. We give our sincere thanks, Milton & Aurla Magee & family. From Tom & Pat Erickson.
- **Update:** Prayers for John Keatley (father-in-law of Alicia Beardsley Keatley) who had a quadruple bypass and heart valve replacement.
- Jay Kuhnenn will be having back surgery on March 25. 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.
- Please pray for Margaret Lillie who is in the hospital with an illness.
- **Update:** Angela has been home for over a week. Her liver transplant is working well. There are still some issues, and she is having more tests. Please continue your prayers. Thank you, Annette King.
- Mike Clemans had a successful knee replacement. We pray for his continued recovery and rehab.
- Chris Butterfield will be consulting with a neurosurgeon regarding issues with his back and will be having surgery on his back. From Lisa Comstock.
- Joseph Williams, brother of Sondra Santos, is undergoing several surgeries after a lithium-ion battery operated foot warmer exploded in his boot, leaving him with third degree burns. Prayers for healing and a speedy recovery.
- Prayers for the Legasse family, friends of Steve & Nancy Torrence, whose grandson, Tyler, recently died.
- Prayers for Tony Tysseling recovering from a stroke.
- 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.

- Joanne, 90-year-old aunt of Martha Clemans, has been placed into nursing home dementia care. Prayers she can adjust and for her daughters and grandchildren.
- 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 Hugh Minor
- Family of Clyde Pitcher
- Family of Deirdre Hervey
- Family of Carol Hopper
- 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.

482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN 14.14.4.7.8

Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665
Harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863
Desc. Craig Sellar Lang, 1953

Joachim Neander, 1680
Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; alt.

Descant

3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

1. Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2. Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
3. Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

a - tion! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy
reign - eth, Shel - ters thee un - der His wings, yea, so
dore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

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prais - es be - fore Him! Let the a - men Sound from His
 health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, Now to His
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen How thy de -
 prais - es be - fore Him! Let the a - men Sound from His

peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him.
 tem - ple draw near; Join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been Grant - ed in what He or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; Glad - ly for aye we a - dore Him.

Take My Life

HENDON 7.7.7.7

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874

H. A. César Malan, 1827

1. Take my life, and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee.
 2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love.
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing, Al - ways, on - ly, for my King.
 4. Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with-hold;

Take my mo - ments and my days; Let them flow in
 Take my feet, and let them be Swift and beau - ti -
 Take my lips, and let them be Filled with mes - sa -
 Take my in - tel - lect, and use Ev - ery power as

cease - less praise, Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 ful for Thee, Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 ges from Thee, Filled with mes - sa - ges from Thee.
 Thou shalt choose, Ev - ery power as Thou shalt choose.

5. Take my will, and make it Thine;
 It shall be no longer mine.
 Take my heart, it is Thine own;
 It shall be Thy royal throne,
 It shall be Thy royal throne.

6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour
 At Thy feet its treasure store.
 Take myself, and I will be
 Ever, only, all for Thee,
 Ever, only, all for Thee.