

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin – 10am

November 21, 2021

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

Prelude

*Abide With Me* - Monk

Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell

Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship

Psalm 93

The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed, he is girded with strength.

**He has established the world; it shall never be moved;**

Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

**The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.**

More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the Lord!

**Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore.**

Hymn

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

(words at end of bulletin)

Prayers of Confession and the Lord's Prayer

Merciful God, in Jesus, our risen Lord, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess.

We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings.

We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives.

Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would us be. Hear us. Hold us. Heal us. Help us. For the sake of our Savior, our Lord, Jesus Christ who taught us to pray like this:

**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.**

Chancel Choir                      *And Now Thanksgiving Begins*                      Directed by Steve Torrence

Scripture                      John 18:33-37

This is the Word of the Lord,  
**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon                                      *Claim of the King*                                      Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Consecration of Pledges for 2022

Special Music                              *Be Thou My Vision*                                      Ed Pearson

Prayer

Hymn                                      *Just as I am, Without One Plea*                                      (words at end of bulletin)

Benediction

Postlude                                      *Rigaudon* - Campra                                      Gary Norris, Organist

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## Come, Christians, Join to Sing

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Spanish folk melody  
Arr. Benjamin Carr, 1824  
Harm. David Evans, 1927

Christian Henry Bateman, 1843

1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
2. Come, lift your hearts on high;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our King;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
Let prais - es fill the sky;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
Life shall not end the strain;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice,    Be - fore His throne re - joice;  
He is our guide and friend;    To us He'll con - de - scend;  
On heav-en's bliss - ful shore    His good - ness we'll a - dore,

Praise is His gra-cious choice;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
His love shall nev - er end;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
Sing - ing for - ev - er - more,    "Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!"

# Just as I Am, Without One Plea

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William Batchelder Bradbury, 1849  
Harm. *The Hymnbook*, 1955

Charlotte Elliott, 1834

1. Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy  
2. Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - y a  
3. Just as I am, Thou wilt re - ceive, Wilt wel - come,  
4. Just as I am, Thy love un - known Has bro - ken

blood was shed for me, And that Thou biddest me  
con - flict, man - y a doubt, Fight - ings and fears with -  
par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; Be - cause Thy prom - ise  
ev - ery bar - rier down; Now to be Thine, yea,

come to Thee,  
in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!  
I be - lieve,  
Thine a - lone,

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## Announcements

Today you can pick up Advent Devotional Packets! Just drop on by our table and pick yours up. If you'd like to take some packets to distribute, then please check them out there as well.

Have a great Thanksgiving and  
we look forward to the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent on the 28th!

### **Christmas Tree Lighting Event**

We have been invited to bless our city with cookies and cocoa on Saturday November 27<sup>th</sup> at the Christmas tree lighting at the intersection of Hewitt and Colby. We ***have*** a table to share cookies and cocoa in the early evening during a daylong celebration of local businesses.

We need cookies! We can use home baked and store-bought cookies. You can donate cookies today or drop them off at the office on Saturday at 3pm. We will be setting up our table at 3:30pm and we need volunteers to help pass out cookies and share through action our love toward our community. Please talk with Pastor Alan during coffee time to sign up.

### **Deacon Thanksgiving Gifts**

Our Deacons are awesome! The compassionate and caring spirit of Deacons, past and present, support our congregation. The Deacons are grateful for your donations and are supporting Kids in Transition with the Everett School District, Millenia Ministries with food, care, and cozies for Christmas, Dawson's Place, and the Everett Gospel Mission. Thank you!

The Deacons are working to serve meals at Cocoon House, more information to come. You can give to our Deacons by using the green envelopes at the offering table or designate "Deacon's Fund" in the memo line on your check. Thank you!

- Next Sunday we will have hybrid worship at 10am.
- All videos are linked to our web page, app, and YouTube channel.
- Sunday School class today at 11:30am. Today, our Sunday School class back in hybrid mode. Join us in-person or on Zoom. Our Zoom link is:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902?pwd=aWVCbHM1bCs5dTE3Y1I2ZkpLUEZTd09>
  - Meeting ID: 431 912 4902
  - Passcode: FPCE21!

- Lunch with Pastor Alan is Tuesday November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12pm. We have a new zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902?pwd=aWVCbHM1bCs5dTE3Y1I2ZkpLUEZTdz09>
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- Thursday Bible Study is taking this week off for Thanksgiving and will resume on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Prayer Updates November 21, 2021**

- We pray for our county and city leaders as they navigate the COVID crisis in our community. Recent numbers continue to show a decline. This is a great trend, and we pray our numbers continue to drop.
- We pray for Maggie Lamus who has been diagnosed with cancer and is undergoing treatment.
- We pray for Roy Gresham who had surgery to remove a growth on his leg on Friday. He is home, but we pray for his recovery and healing.
- We pray for Dolores as her kidneys fail. Dolores is on home hospice and is a dear beloved friend of Jean and Kory Kantor who lives in Tennessee. We pray for Mike, Dolores' husband, and for healing and peace during this time.
- We pray for Gordy for God to keep him safe. Jodi
- We pray for Sam and Rose's niece who has been diagnosed with COVID. She lives in Snohomish with two small children. We also prayer for Rose's brother and sister-in-law as they navigate how to care for each other during this time.
- Prayers for healing, strength, and peace for LaMara Halstrom diagnosed with carcinoma and Jane McMahan diagnosed with esophageal and liver cancer. Both are "sisters" of Steve and Nancy Torrence.
- Prayers for Arlene Mawudeku.
- We continue to pray for Gary Norris.
- Jan Weakley asks for prayers for her sister-in-law Pat Weakley Hein now under Hospice Care for congestive heart and kidney failure. Pat is Dick's little sister.
- Update: We pray for Scott Morrow this week as he will be having some procedures done. We pray for his doctors, his strength, his health, God's comfort, and for Shirley, Todd, and Peggy.
- We pray for Mike Goza after spinal surgery. We pray for Carolyn during this time and that God's peace, healing, and patience be with them.
- Update: We pray for Robin Kohler's stepmom, Mary Lee Harris. She is home now and doing much better. Mary Lee has been fitted with a prosthetic. Robin and Ari are thankful for your prayers and calls of support.
- Update: We to pray for Linda Case, Lois Tysseling's sister. Linda has gotten the "all clear" after surgery and treatment. Praise God!

- We pray for Marilee Richard's grandson Cody who is struggling with personal issues. We continue to pray for her daughter Karen who has several health issues.
- Prayers for Juliana Pelhs, daughter of Rosemary Cassady, who works and sees patients in Brazil. COVID is rampant in Brazil and the health care system is strained.
- Steve Ellis, friend of Steve Torrence, who has been diagnosed with stage 2 prostate cancer.
- Prayers for Judy Campbell's son, Robert Henry, has a brain tumor. He was being treated for Meniere's Syndrome and surgery was pending when an MRI revealed the brain tumor. Surgery has been put off while another treatment is being administered.
- Update: Tricia (Meier) Countryman – She is on blood thinners to keep other clots from forming around her lungs. Praise as there is no cancer! Tricia tires easily but should be closer to normal within a year. Please continue to pray for her successful treatment. Friend of Annette King
- Update: Larry O'Donnell – Larry continues to amaze with his improved energy level. He and the family need continuing prayers following the death of Larry's wife, Joyce, in August. From Annette King
- Praise – Our family appreciates the prayers for our grandson-in-law, Matt, who continues to be alcohol free almost 2 years. He is with an electrician apprentice program now. A special blessing arrived May 14<sup>th</sup> with the birth of Sarah and Matt's son, Jackson Paul. From Great Grandma Annette King

#### Continued Prayers for FPCE

- Prayers for members and families who have lost loved ones during our time apart:
  - Rev. Ed Coon
  - Merle Kirkley
  - Dorothy Nerison
  - 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
  - Family of Bonnie Brown
  - Family of Celia Gordon
  - Sam and Rose Capetillo
  - Marcia Ricks and family
  - Joan Lyderson and family
  - Bea Swafford's family
  - Lucille Hofer
  - Bev Fox's family

- Larry O'Donnell
- 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 Hannah – Carol and Roy Gresham
- Prayers for Jan Geibel – Clyde and Judy Pitcher's daughter
- Prayers for friend and neighbor, Doug Dawson, as he goes through another round of chemotherapy– Tony and Lois Tysseling
- 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 for Suzan, Judy Kutz's sister and Dale and Janet Good.