

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Worship Bulletin
May 14, 2023 – 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 *Meditation – Massenet* Gary Norris, Organist

Ringling of the Bell Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome Marne Larson

Call to Worship Marne Larson

Wait for the Lord; be strong!

The promises of God will never be shaken.

With God as our light, what is there to fear?

The promises of God will never be broken.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Let us worship God together.

Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty* #138

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer In unison Marne Larson

Lord, we thank you for the abundant blessings we receive in life. We thank you for the love given to us without price – help us to live lovingly in return. Help us to live praising you in gratitude, taking a stand for you by gathering in worship and letting people know we put our trust and our hope in you.

On this day we thank you for mothers who have shared love with us and for your love which extends from generation to generation. And we thank you for the Church, the Church which gave spiritual birth to us, through which we live and express our being in relationship with God and one another. We thank you for the Spirit's presence in our lives and in the life of this congregation. Continue to guide us as we seek to be faithful to you.

We pray for the sick and the needy, who struggle for rest and comfort. May we be a source of comfort for them and may your promises and your love be a haven of rest for their spirits.

God, we thank you for the fulfillment of your promise to send a Savior, to spread this good news through us, and to never leave us or forsake us, but to go with us. We thank you for your love and your grace in Christ our Lord and Savior who prays with 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.

Hymn *Glory Be to the Father* #579

Passing of the Peace

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

Choir Anthem *A Mother's Love* Directed by Steve Torrence
(words at end of bulletin)

Scripture 1 Corinthians 13
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Sermon *Love, Love, and Love* Rev. Ray Smith

Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* #376

Benediction

Postlude *Awake the Trumpets Lofty Sound* – Handel Gary Norris, Organist

Announcements

Today we are grateful to have the Rev. Ray Smith preach. Ray grew up in Aberdeen, attended the University of Washington, and graduated from Princeton Seminary in 1975. He served churches in Colorado and Washington before retiring in 2015. Ray has four children and two grandchildren and spends his time reading, hiking, and keeping track of UW sports.

Deacons' Mother's Day Cake & Lemonade Event Today!

Join us after worship in Westminster Hall for the Deacons' Mother's Day Cake & Lemonade Event.

All Church Retreat – September 16th – Sign-ups begin today.

Today we begin sign-ups for the All-Church Retreat on September 16th at Warm Beach. The cost is \$20/adult, \$5/youth (age 9-18), free for 8 and younger. To make sure we have an accurate count for our fun activities and surprises, we will ask for payment before the retreat. However, for now, find Marne Larson during coffee time to add your name to the list and let's get excited for this wonderful event!

Senior Presbyterian Adult Ministry (S.P.A.M.) – May 19th

The next S.P.A.M. gathering is Friday, May 19th in Westminster Hall. Join us at 11:30 am for Fellowship Punch Bowl followed by lunch at 12:00 pm. Lunch is \$7.50. Our program is The Beauty of the Antarctica. Dr. Steve and Judy Hammond and Roy and Barbara Yates will be sharing pictures from their recent trip to this beautiful, uninhabited part of our world. Please sign up at the welcome booth or you may RSVP to Jan Weakley (360-722-9632). Reservations/cancellations are needed by May 15, 2023.

Church Work Party – May 20th

Mark your calendar for our next church work party, happening Saturday, May 20th from 9am to 12pm. Donuts and coffee will be provided. All skill levels can help. Bring good shoes and gloves. We will gather in the library and will work on landscape improvement and final preparations for the courtyard renewal. We'll see you there!

SCRABBLE – May 17th

Scrabble is resuming on the first and third Wednesdays beginning in May. We invite newbies, the average "word-joe", experts, mentors, and YOU to join us on May 17th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in Westminster Hall for fellowship, fun and SCRABBLE. For more information, please contact Linda Senter or Lois Tysseling. Hope to see YOU there!



Graduation Sunday

JUNE 11, 2023

We're celebrating the Class of 2023 on Graduation Sunday - June 11 during our 10 a.m. worship service.

Have a loved one graduating in the Class of 2023? Submit a graduate information form by May 30.

SCAN QR CODE FOR DETAILS



Graduation Sunday – June 11th

Scan the QR code at left to submit a graduate information form online. Graduate information forms are also available at the Welcome Center. Forms are due in the church office by May 30th.

VOA Food Donations

We donated 210 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America Food Bank this month. Great job! This goes to support those in need here in Everett. Our next Monday drop-off is July 3rd from 10am to 12pm (no drop-off in June). Pastor Alan and Ken Newman will be accepting non-perishable food in the alley.

This Week...

- **Sunday School today** is at 11:30am in hybrid format, both in-person in Calvin Lounge and on Zoom. Steve Hammond is leading a new lecture series “Great Figures of the New Testament”.
 - Join Zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902>
 - Meeting ID: 431 912 4902
- **Lunch with Alan** is paused until May 22nd.
- **Thursday Bible Study** is off until May 25th when we will resume via Zoom at 4 pm. We will study Joel 1-2.
- **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...

Session recently voted to remove pew spacing requirements. As such, we continue to:

- 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 Updates May 14, 2023

- We pray for the families and community suffering after the elementary school shooting in Nashville. We pray specifically for Pedro Polloreña, our interpreter in Mani, who knows the family of Hallie Scruggs, one of the victims.
- We pray for the people in Turkey and Syria after their devastating earthquakes.
- 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.
- Update: Please keep our friend Carlos' family in your prayers. Carlos lost his fight with cancer on Monday and passed away at his home. From Doug & Amy Farnham.
- Prayers for Linda Senter's great-niece, Leanne, whose IgA Nephropathy (Berger's Disease) is attacking her kidneys again. She is going through the steps to get on the kidney transplant program.
- Please pray for Tracy Klinger. She had bunion surgery recently. Prayers for a quick recovery. Also, her chemo is going well. She thanks everyone for their prayers. From Susan Klinger
- Update: It is truly miraculous that Mason has made such gigantic strides in his recovery and healing from serious back surgery. His mom reports he can do anything but slalom ski! Thank you so much, FPCE, for your prayers! From Tony & Lois Tysseling.
- We pray for Merle Kirkley as he is having health issues. We pray for healing and comfort.
- Please pray for Kari, good friend of Judy Hutchison, who is going through chemotherapy.
- Update: Doug Schultz, son-in-law of Annette & Wes King, is scheduled to begin the actual transplant of his bone marrow cells on April 14th and will stay in the hospital 2 to 3 weeks. When discharged he will remain in Portland at arranged housing for another 2 to 3 weeks until he is stable enough to return home. Then there will be more recovery and rehabilitation. We pray God's wisdom and guidance for successful procedures, skill, and competence of Doug's medical team involved in his recovery and healing. Our family greatly appreciates your prayers. From Annette & Wes King.
- Jimmy Sharp appreciates prayers for his on-going back injury.
- Please pray for my brother Randy and his wife, Ellyn. Please help heal Elly's eyes and help her to see better. Pray that Randy, Elly and I get to spend time together. From Jodi.
- Florence Day seeks prayers for one of her knees that is collapsing.
- Please pray for my grandson, Cody, for direction in his life. From Marilee Richards.
- 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.
- 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
- Ashley Tomlin
- Larry O'Donnell
- Florence Day
- Robert Henry
- Paul & Joyce Richardson
- LaMara Halstrom and Jane McMahon – Steve and Nancy Torrence
- Pat Weakley Hein – sister-in-law of Jan Weakley
- Wes King
- Matt McCoy, grandson of Annette King
- Clyde Pitcher
- Robby as he continues to heal and for Monica helping every step of the way – from Martha and Mike Clemans
- Cindy Rowlands
- Jan Geibel – Clyde and Judy Pitcher's daughter
- 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.

Choir Anthem

A Mother's Love

For the words of truth and wisdom sown like seeds into our hearts,
leading us to turn in time and place our trust in who You are.

For the arms of calm and comfort; how they helped to dry our tears.
For belief to dream big dreams and strength to overcome our fears.

Thank you for the strong and tender heart of Heaven that's above, and
the picture here on earth we see in a mother's love.

For the way we've seen how love is; humble joyful sacrifice, and the
way that it's forever left its mark upon our lives.

Thank you for the strong and tender heart of Heaven that's above, and
the picture here on earth we see in a mother's love.

Love that's patient, love that's kind, love that holds us close. Love
unfailing, love unchanging, love that let us go.

Oh, how You've protected us from dangers that we never knew, when
You answered her heart's cries as faithfully she prayed us through.

Thank you for the strong and tender heart of Heaven that's above, and
the picture here on earth we see in a mother's love.

A mother's love.

TRINITY SUNDAY

138 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

NICAEA 11.12.12.10

Reginald Heber (1783-1826)
As in *Hymns Written and Adapted*, 1827; alt.John Bacchus Dykes, 1861
Desc. David McKinley Williams, 1948

Descant

4. Ho - - - - - ly,

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore Thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark-ness hide Thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ho - - - - - ly,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 Though the eye of sin - ful-ness Thy glo - ry may not see,
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea;

Ho - - - - - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
 On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

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TRINITY SUNDAY

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 Who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 Per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

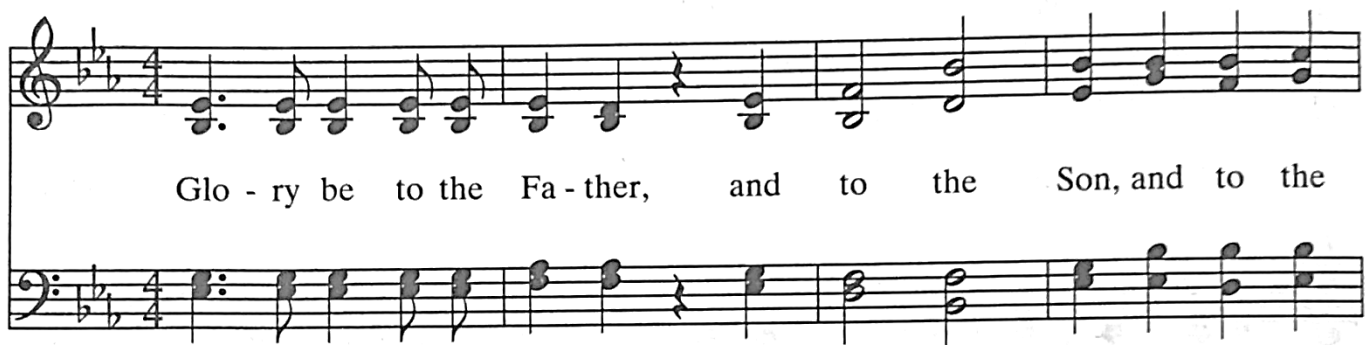
The musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It contains a single melodic line. The middle staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It contains a single melodic line. The bottom staff is a bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It contains a single melodic line. The lyrics are written below the staves, with some lines of text aligned under specific notes or rests.

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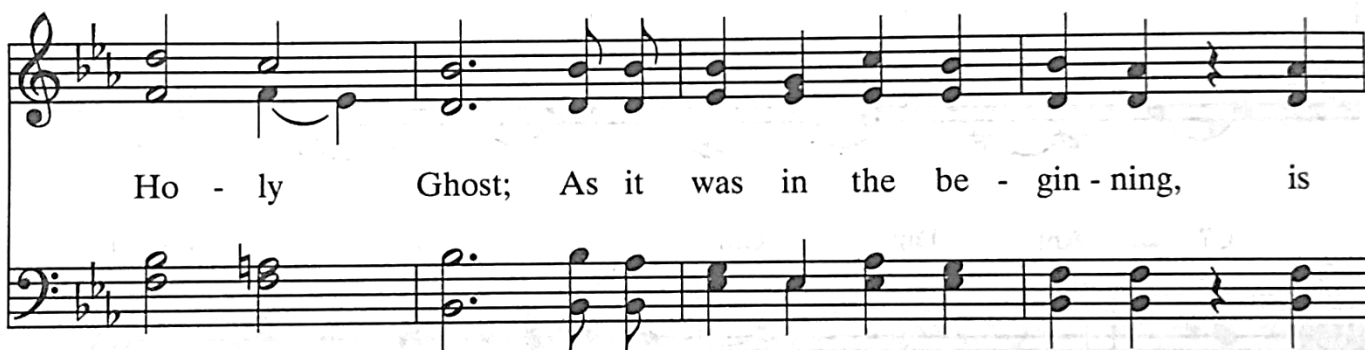
Glory Be to the Father

Gloria Patri

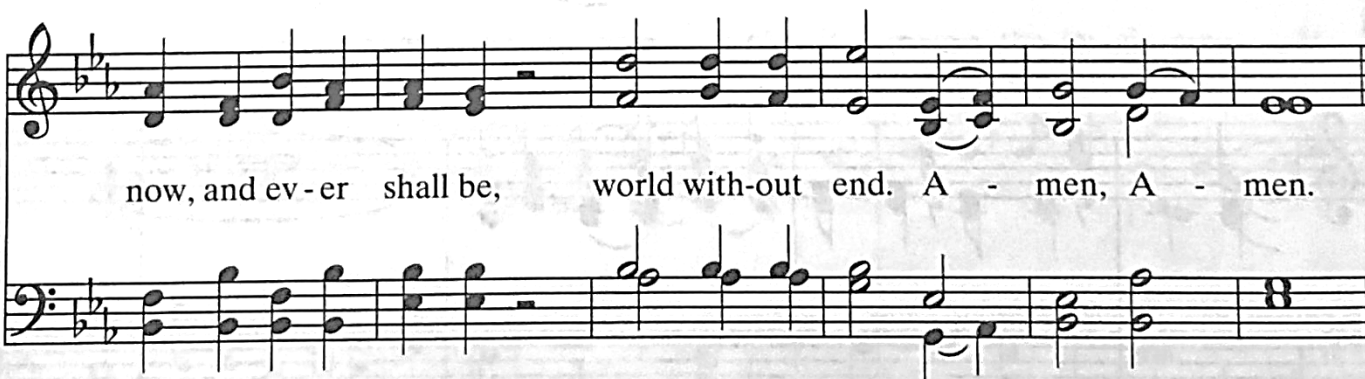
Henry W. Greatorex, 1851



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the



Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is



now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

376 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831

Charles Wesley, 1747

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.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves, a treble staff on top and a bass staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are written between the two staves. The music is in a common time signature (C). The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

Alternate tune: BEECHER, 343