

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin for FPCE Facebook Live at 10am

May 23, 2021



Prelude

Lead Kindly Light by Dale Wood
Kim Croft, Organist

Ringing of the Bell

Steve Torrence
Director of Music Ministries

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Special Music

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
Ed Pearson, Trombone
Kim Croft, Organist

Call to Worship Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

One: LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

All: Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.

One: There go the ships and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it. These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

All: When you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

One: When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

All: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

One: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

All: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

One: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

Wind who makes all winds that blow—
gusts that bend the saplings low,
gales that heave the sea in waves,
stirrings in the mind's deep caves—
aim your breath with steady power
on your church, this day, this hour.
Raise, renew the life we've lost,
Spirit God of Pentecost.

Fire who fuels all fires that burn—
suns around which planets turn,
beacons marking reefs and shoals,
shining truth to guide our souls—
come to us as once you came;
burst in tongues of sacred flame!
Light and Power, Might and Strength,
fill your church, its breadth and length.

Holy Spirit, Wind and Flame,
move within our mortal frame.
Make our hearts an altar pyre.
Kindle them with your own fire.
Breathe and blow upon that blaze
till our lives, our deeds, and ways
speak that tongue which every land
by your grace shall understand.

Prayer at Pentecost and the Lord's Prayer

Holy God, How long until we believe your word, O Lord?

You do not privilege male over female, nor female over male.

There is not master race, no peoples more beloved than another.

No being was created to be enslaved, nor to live with forced servitude,
nor to be imprisoned in poverty or unrelenting squalor.

Your blessing of the Holy Spirit fell and falls on all without reservation.

How long until we believe your word, O Lord?

Courts, councils, and countries cannot bestow on humanity more dignity,
worth, or status than your image imparted to all flesh.

There exists no creed, constitution, or covenant that supersedes your divine
will for equality, faithfulness, fidelity, and love for all.

May our practices fulfill your prophecy on earth as it is in heaven.

How long until we believe your word, O Lord?

May we cease devaluing, demeaning, and destroying one another through our action, inaction, and indifference.

From the pew to the pulpit to the public sphere, may our words resound with your truth that all flesh is beloved, beautiful, and bestowed by your grace.

This is our prayer at Pentecost. This is our prayer for Pentecost. This is our prayer after Pentecost. Hear now our hearts as we bring them to you.

We do believe that if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new (2nd Corinthians 5:17). With hearts of joy due to your grace and action in our lives, we pray the prayer you taught us, saying...

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.

Quartet

A Place at the Table

Jean Rankin, Steve Torrence,
Leslie and Rob Sutin
Directed by Steve Torrence

Scripture

Acts 2:1-21

Hymn

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart #326

1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth; through all its pulses move; stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.

2. Has thou not bid me love thee, God and King? All, all thine own, soul, heart and strength and mind. I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling. O let me seek thee, and O let me find.

3. Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh; teach me the struggles of the soul to bear. To check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh, teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

4. Teach me to love thee as thine angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame; the baptism of the heaven-descended Dove, my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

Sermon

Blowing in the Wind

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

1 You moved on the waters,
you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains
from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:
"Awake from your slumbers
and rise on your wings."

2 You swept through the desert,
you stung with the sand,
and you gifted your people with a law
and a land;
and when they were blinded
with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets
to open their eyes.

3 You sang in a stable,
you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence
when the whole world was still;
and down in the city
you called once again,
when you blew through your people
on the rush of the wind.

4 You call from tomorrow,
you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow
all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions,
our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions
your people arise.

Benediction

Postlude

Love Devine by James Kasen

Kim Croft, Organist

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The Prayer at Pentecost was adapted from LaTrelle Miller Easterling

Announcements

The flowers today are given in loving memory of our son, brother and uncle,
John R. Villevik from Alan and Dottie Villevik and family.

- Join us today for Virtual Coffee at 11:30am. Our Bible Study at noon, led by Steve Hammond, is on Luther: Gospel, Law, and Reformation, by Professor Phillip Carey.

Virtual Coffee (11:30am) and Bible Study (12pm) Link for 2021

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902?pwd=aWVCbHM1bCs5dTE3Y1I2ZkpLUEZTd09>

Meeting ID: 431 912 4902

Passcode: FPCE21!

- Next Sunday we will be having virtual worship at 10am.
- All videos are linked to our web page, app, and YouTube channel.
- Lunch with Pastor Alan resumes this Tuesday May 25th at noon.
- Thursday Bible Study resumes on May 27th at 4pm and we will be studying Mark 10.

Prayer Updates May 23, 2021

- Prayers for healing for Benny Romana who had another surgery on May 14. From Jean Kanter
- Prayers that the Salt of the Earth Soup Kitchen opens back up so the people in that area can get not only fellowship and support, but they can also get a good meal and temporary shelter. From Jodi Donley
- Doug Chandler shares with us that Samaritan Counseling Director Emeritus, John Ortmeyer, was admitted to Providence Hospital in Everett due to an embolic stroke (clot). He is recovering and will be transferring to the other Providence campus for intensive treatment.
- Carole Messecar, Earl Ingebright's daughter, called Ken and Shirley Newman last weekend to let us know that Earl's friend Marie Garlington passed away in April.
- We pray for the horrific violence and destruction affecting the entire region and people of Israel/Palestine.
- We pray for Gary Norris. We pray for Gary, Dariel and family during this time of seeking God's presence, peace, and healing.
- 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.
- We pray for the people in Myanmar, including those Gabe, Jonna, and I met last year, who face risk of violence related to ongoing civil strife. From Steve Hammond.
- 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 a MRI revealed the brain tumor. Surgery has been put off while another treatment is being administered.

- Update: Tricia (Meier) Countryman – concerning pulmonary embolism. Multiple tests have not discovered why she is ill. She is transferring her care and tests to Virginia Mason for continued diagnosis. Friend of Annette King
- Prayers for Kathy Hammond, a cancer survivor twice and again diagnosed with cancer, stage 3 from Jan Weakley, friend.
- Update: Prayers for Linda Senter's great-niece Leanne, diagnosed with Berger's Disease. This kidney disease is incurable, but manageable. Treatment is going well, not many side effects with the chemotherapy. Leanne still has to be isolated till at least next June, due to risk of Covid. Leanne and family appreciate your prayers.

Continued Prayers for FPCE

- Prayers for members and families who have lost loved ones during our time apart:
 - Rev. Ed Coon
 - Merle Kirkley
 - Family of Letty Ownings
 - Family of Prince Schaefer
 - Family of Dr. George Youngstrom
 - Jay Kuhnhenh
 - 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
- Larry O'Donnell
- Matt McCoy, Grandson of Annette King
- Clyde and Judy Pitcher
- Bev Fox
- Hugh Minor
- 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, as he battles lung cancer – 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.

- Don and Joan Lyderson
- Suzan, Judy Kutz's sister
- Dale and Janet Good