

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin  
August 10, 2025 – 10:00 am

<b>Welcome to Worship Today!</b> Please take a moment to fill out our Friendship Pads found in the pews. This is a great way to get to know who's worshipping with us and to connect you to our community.	<b>Nursery Care</b> Nursery care is on summer hiatus and will resume on September 14 <sup>th</sup> .
For our liturgy this morning, <b>BOLD</b> text invites all to join in the reading.	

Prelude *Pie Jesu* Elizabeth Nelson, Piano

Ringling of the Bell Leslie Sutin

Welcome Marne Larson

Call to Worship Proverbs 3:5-6 Marne Larson

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not upon your own understanding

**Acknowledge God in all your ways and God will make straight your path.**

Let us declare our trust in God

**And our faith that God will lead us through life.**

Hymn *Let Us with a Gladsome Mind* #244

Prayer of Confession Marne Larson

God's Spirit has gathered us for worship and calls us to get right with God. Let us confess our sin to God.

**Spirit of God, we build walls and barriers. We assume the worst and stereotype those we do not know. We devalue each other and stick with what is comfortable and familiar, afraid to express our faith in ways that count. Forgive our limited vision and lack of courage. Embolden us to cross boundaries of differences. Guide us to see you in our world and to call others to your beloved community.**

*Take a moment for silent personal confession and reflection.*

Assurance of Pardon Marne Larson

In Christ we are forgiven and given the power to serve in his name. **Amen.**

Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* #591

Passing of the Peace

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

FPCE Sings *We Lift Our Voices* #105

Special Music *Morning Has Broken* Andrea Schunk,  
Amy Sharkey, Leslie Sutin

Scripture

Luke 7:36-50

Rev. Ray Smith

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

Sermon

*A Simple Invitation*

Rev. Ray Smith

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**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

*Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples*

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Benediction

Rev. Ray Smith

Special Musical Postlude

*Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Andrea Schunk,  
Amy Sharkey, Leslie Sutin

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## **Announcements**

This morning, we are blessed to have Rev. Ray Smith leading us in worship. Pastor Alan is on vacation this week.

### **Hearing Assistance**

A limited number of hearing devices are available to amplify the worship service. To use one, please ask a greeter or Pastor Alan.

### **Wedding Photos Sharing – August 17<sup>th</sup>**

Next Sunday, Malia and Aladdin will be sharing their wedding photos during coffee time.

### **Invitation to Join Prayer Team**

Here at FPCE we have a small group of individuals that pray online weekly and would like to invite any of you that also feel called to be involved in a prayer ministry for our congregation, in our community and around the world. A list is sent out every Thursday, which corresponds to a “Wave of Prayer” that comes from the Sabeel Ecumenical Liberation Theology Center in Jerusalem and covers issues there in the Holy Land. If you feel called, please speak with Pastor Alan.

## **This Week...**

**Adult Sunday School** – There is no Sunday School today. Join us on August 17<sup>th</sup> as we watch the final episode of The Chosen Season 3.

**Lunch with Alan** – Lunch with Alan is on summer break. Lunch will resume on September 8.

**Thursday Bible Study** – There is no Thursday Bible Study on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Our study will resume on August 21<sup>st</sup> on Acts 10.

**Next Sunday** we will have hybrid worship at 10am.

- All videos are linked to our Facebook page, website, app, and YouTube channel.



## SCRABBLE

Scrabble meets August 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in Westminster Hall for fellowship, fun and SCRABBLE. The north door will be open from 12:50pm to 1:00pm.

## VOA Food Donations

We donated 153 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America this month. Great job! Our next in-person collection is on Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12pm.

## Catch a Sunday Worship Rerun!

Did you know that our Sunday worship services are recorded? You can watch past worship services on our FPCE website, mobile app, YouTube channel, and Facebook page. Links to all these channels can be found on our website at:

[www.firstpreschurch.com](http://www.firstpreschurch.com).

## Lay Leadership

On Sundays, we are blessed to have wonderful



Pastor's QR Code

people guide us in worship through the leading of the call to worship, prayer of confession, and other parts of our service. If you'd like to be added to this list to lead, please talk with Pastor Alan or scan his QR code. No experience necessary, just a willing and open heart.

## Calling New Members

Are you interested in joining the First Presbyterian Church of Everett? Want to learn more about our congregation and our organizational structure? We want membership to be accessible, fun, and a way to deepen your faith. If this seems like where you are and what you'd like to explore, then scan Pastor Alan's QR code or talk with Pastor Alan.

## Prayer Requests August 10, 2025

- Michael Goza's memorial will be here on August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 pm. Please keep Carolyn and family in your prayers.
- Beverly Brandt's memorial will be here on September 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. Please keep Bev's family in your prayers.

- Please pray for our daughter, Monica, as she recovers from arthroscopic knee surgery. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- Jimmy Sharp is having an injection in his back on August 11<sup>th</sup> and appreciates your prayers.
- Please keep Adison & Ainslee, grandchildren of Mike & Martha Clemans, in your prayers. Adison is in Ohio to attend college and play baseball. Ainslee is in Austin to teach 7<sup>th</sup> grade math. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- **Update:** Lisa is cautiously optimistic that her newest medication seems to be helping the condition in her mouth. Thank you all for your prayers.
- Lisa, daughter of a friend of Elizabeth Nelson, has a spider bite wound that is not healing and now threatens to require a foot or partial foot amputation. Please pray for a turnaround in her symptoms. From Elizabeth Nelson.
- Ari & Robin Kohler's sister-in-law fell and injured her knee and leg. Please pray for healing.
- We pray for Stephen Moore as he recovers from knee surgery.
- Jay Kuhnhen and his mother continue to have back issues. **Update:** Jay's fusion on his back is now scheduled for November. His mother received an injection and has had some relief. Marcia's dementia continues to progress. Thank you for your continued prayers.
- Please pray for the family and friends of Ron. Ron was a friend of Ray Smith who died unexpectedly. Ron was a teacher of English and a missionary in Vietnam. We pray for comfort and peace during this difficult time.
- **Update:** Sandy was diagnosed with atrial fibrillation along with her battles with spinal stenosis and neuropathy. Please keep praying for less pain, more comfort, mobility and good test results. She is very grateful for your continued prayers. Thank you from Annette King.
- **Update:** Bob Elder, friend of the Beardsleys, now has kidney stones as he continues to heal from his motorcycle accident. Thanks so much for your continued prayers. From Sonya Beardsley.
- Alan Villevik's sister, Mary Rogers, was diagnosed with an aggressive type of cancer. She chose not to proceed with surgery or chemotherapy. Please pray for comfort and freedom from any pain and for our nephew, Bob Rogers, who is caring for her. From Dottie & Alan Villevik.
- Please pray for Mary Margaret Villevik who is living in an abusive relationship in Europe and desires to leave but needs the strength and courage to leave safely. We appreciate prayers on her behalf. From Dottie & Alan Villevik.
- Our friend has been diagnosed with non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH). She needs a liver transplant. Please pray for a donor and as she waits, pray for strength and healing. From Alan & Vicki.
- We pray for Jean Kanter for healing, strength, peace, and happiness. Thank you.
- We pray for Carol Gresham who fell and broke her hip. She is slowly recovering.
- Marilee Richards' daughter, Karen, has very painful involuntary muscle contractions due to an illness. Prayers for pain relief and healing are appreciated. From Lisa Villevik.

- The father of a friend of Ari & Robin Kohler was recently diagnosed with bladder cancer. Prayers for his healing and for his daughter Meredith are appreciated. From Ari Kohler.
- Please pray for Ari Kohler's sister, Lolita, as she deals with health issues.
- Please pray for my daughter and son-in-law, Joanna & Jason and their 2½ year old daughter, Violet. Violet has been diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes. Prayers for their ability to manage Violet's high blood glucose levels, a new baby, and Joanna's continuing recovery from a C-section. From Diane Preston.
- **Update:** Thank you for your continued prayers and support for Alan Villesvik. The two issues that are a challenge to him currently are his eyesight and his hearing loss. He wants to remain positive through all of this. From Dottie Villesvik.
- **Update:** Jade, our grandson, is doing outpatient dialysis three times per week. Sight problems from diabetes continue. He has cleared the first hurdle for a kidney transplant. Please continue all prayers. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- **Update:** LeAnne, Mike's great granddaughter, is home from a two-week hospital stay. After so much chemo she had a reaction that caused a lot of pain and resulted in seizures. After treatment, the pain is finally manageable, and the seizures seem to have declined. The doctors remain highly optimistic. This will be a very long battle with last "scheduled" chemo treatments sometime toward the end of 2026. Please keep LeAnne in all your prayers. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer. From Jimmy Sharp.
- Our nephew, Ben, is in dire need of a new kidney. Please pray for a donor and visit and share this website with all: <https://www.kidneyforben.com/>. From John & Lisa Gebert.
- Please pray for Robin & Ari Kohler's niece, Lola, as she deals with health issues.
- We pray for Marsha Lueth who has health issues that are preventing her from doing the things she would like to. She is comfortable, but we pray for healing and peace from the Holy Spirit.
- Please pray for my father-in-law, Richard Alfrejd, who continues to battle stage four cancer. From Emily Alfrejd.
- Margaret Lillie's daughter, Rita Cornelius, has started chemotherapy, and testing shows that her cancer has not spread. Thank God for this good news! Please continue prayers. From Lisa Villesvik.
- Monica's husband, Robby, is still struggling with the effects of his stroke. Prayers are appreciated. From Mike and Martha Clemans
- Aaron, a friend of Lisa Villesvik, has been very ill and has gone through dozens of tests. The cause of his illness has not been identified, and he is very discouraged. Please pray he will be restored to health and hope.

### Continued Prayers

- Family of Tracy Klingler
- Family of Marilyn Larsen
- Family of Barbara Yates
- Family of Mary Grosse

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# Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

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MONKLAND 7.7.7.7

John Milton, 1623; alt.

Freylinghausen's *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704  
Arr. John B. Wilkes, 1861

1. Let us with a glad - some mind Praise the Lord who is so kind:  
 2. God, with all-com - mand-ing might, Filled the new-made world with light:  
 3. All things liv-ing God does feed, With full mea-sure meets their need:  
 4. Let us with a glad - some mind Praise the Lord who is so kind:

For God's mer-cies shall en-dure, Ev - er faith-ful, ev - er sure.



# Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples 434

KINGSFOLD CMD

H. Kenn Carmichael, 1985

English Country Songs, 1893  
Arr. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

1. To - day we all are called to be Dis - ci - ples of the Lord,  
 2. God made the world and at its birth Or - dained our hu - man race  
 3. Pray jus - tice may come roll - ing down As in a might - y stream,  
 4. May we in ser - vice to our God Act out the liv - ing Word,

To help to set the cap - tive free, Make plow-share out of sword,  
 To live as stew-ards of the earth, Re - spond-ing to God's grace.  
 With righ-teous - ness in field and town To cleanse us and re - deem.  
 And walk the road the saints have trod Till all have seen and heard.

To feed the hun-gry, quench their thirst, Make love and peace our fast,  
 But we are vain and sad - ly proud, We sow not peace but strife,  
 For God is long-ing to re - store An earth where con - flicts cease,  
 As stew-ards of the earth may we Give thanks in one ac - cord

To serve the poor and home-less first, Our ease and com-fort last.  
 Our dis - cord spreads a dead - ly cloud That threat-ens all of life.  
 A world that was cre - at - ed for A har - mo - ny of peace.  
 To God who calls us all to be Dis - ci - ples of the Lord.

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