THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin January 15, 2023 – 10am

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

Prelude How Brightly Shines the Morning Star – JS Bach

Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell

Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship

Psalm 40:1-8

Steve Hammond

I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.

Happy are those who make the Lord their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

Hymn

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

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Prayer of Confession and Lord's Prayer

Steve Hammond

God lovingly knows us completely. God inclines towards us and hears our cry. Assured of God's grace and steadfast love, let us confess our sin together.

Merciful God,

We confess that we have been timid and unreliable witnesses of Jesus Christ. Forgive us...

- ...for the times we have stayed silent in the face of hate and prejudice,
- ...for the times our actions have not matched our beliefs,
- ... for the times we have hoarded our abundance,

...for the times we have turned away from your children in need.

For the many ways we fail to follow Jesus, forgive us. Invite us again to come and see, and to abide in your presence so that we may be transformed and renewed. Empower us to witness, with our words and lives, to the love and grace we've experienced in Jesus Christ.

Moment of Personal Confession

Hear the good news of the gospel: God will not withhold mercy from us. The steadfast love and faithfulness of the Lord is with us, now and forever. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

With boldness and assurance, we continue our prayer together,

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.

Choir Anthem Only God Directed by Steve Torrence

Scripture Matthew 4:1-11

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon Being Tempted Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Hymn Lift Every Voice and Sing #563

Benediction Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Postlude Rigaudon - Campra Gary Norris, Organist

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COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

THE URGENCY OF NOW: FROM DREAM TO REALITY

FEATURING PRODIGIES FOR PEACE AWARD WINNERS

JAN 13TH MARCH & RALLY

11:00AM - 2:00PM

VERETT MEMORIAL STADIUM TO CARL GIPSON CENTER

JAN 15TH SUNDAY CELEBRATION

3:30PM - 5:30PM

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Announcements

Church Work Party! - February 4th

We are taking time to clean Stocker Hall kitchen with a work party on Saturday, February 4th beginning at 9am. Donuts and coffee will be here, so you can too! Your support is always appreciated!

VOA Food Donations

We donated 275 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America Food Bank last week. Awesome job! This goes to support those in need here in Everett. We continue to accept donations and our next Monday drop-off will be February 6th from 10am to 12pm. Pastor Alan and Ken Newman will be accepting non-perishable food in the alley.

Church Directory

The church office will be publishing an updated church directory soon. The directories will be available on Sunday, February 12th. Do you have an update for the directory? Is your home phone number still being used? Is your cell phone number, address, and email address current? If you have any updates for the directory, please submit them to Doreen (doreen@firstpreschurch.com) in the church office by February 6. Having current information allows us to communicate with you in a timely manner. Thank you!

Annual Congregational Meeting – February 12th

Our annual congregational meeting will be Sunday, February 12th. This will take place immediately after worship and then our Deacons are planning a pizza party. This will be a fun and good Sunday.

More Announcements

- Next Sunday we will have hybrid worship at 10am.
 - o All videos are linked to our Facebook page, website, app, and YouTube channel.
- Sunday School today is 11:30am to 12:30pm in hybrid format, both in-person in Calvin Lounge and on Zoom, led by Steve Hammond. This Adult Sunday School class is based on the Teaching Company lecture series: The Dead Sea Scrolls and is a deep dive into one of the most significant discoveries ever in Biblical archeology. There is no requirement for preparation for this class, and you can drop in at any time you are able and still gain precious knowledge and insights.
 - o Join Zoom using this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902
 - o Meeting ID: 431 912 4902
- Lunch with Alan will be on a break tomorrow, Monday, January 16, for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. We will resume on January 23 at noon in the church library. The north door will be open at 11:45am. Bring a lunch or just come to talk and catch up. Coffee is provided.

- Thursday Bible Study with Pastor Alan is on break. Study will resume on January 19, 2023 using the Zoom platform. We will be studying Daniel chapters 1 and 2.
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To all worshipping with us:

- Masks are optional in our facility
- The first six rows of the sanctuary are open seating
- The back rows are every other pew for more spacing

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 January 15, 2023

- We pray for our county and city leaders as they navigate the COVID crisis in our community.
- 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.
- We pray for Rev. Dr. Ed Coon for improved health. Thank you. From Dottie Villesvik
- Please pray for my grandson, Cody, for direction in his life. From Marilee Richards.
- We pray for Teresa Good and family after the death of Dale and Janet Good.
- 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.
- Howard Garner is recovering from knee surgery. He is home and doing well. Howard and Rosemary appreciate your prayers for continued recovery.
- Bruce Russell, friend of Lisa Comstock, is in the hospital undergoing treatment on his esophagus. Please pray for healing and strength.
- Please pray for my sister, Pamala Talley who has been diagnosed with NPH (Hydrocephalus) and is awaiting surgery to correct the problem. We appreciate your support. From Bob & Barbara Barren.
- Update: Mason DeAndre, grandson of Tony & Lois Tysseling, has been cleared for physical therapy and has a regimen of stretches and exercises. He really appreciates and thanks you for your prayers as he makes slow and steady progress. From Tony & Lois Tysseling.
- Please pray for Maggie Lamus as her cancer has returned. She has restarted treatment and we pray for peace, healing, and strength.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer's extended family: Bobby and John Heuer, both have cancer and cousin, Paul. From Jimmy Sharp.

- Please pray for Arlene Mawudeku who has stage 4 kidney failure and needs a kidney transplant.
- Quinn Carpenter is having health issues and would appreciate prayers. From Marilyn Minch.
- Please pray for my friend Barbara and her parents. They all have COVID. From Lisa Comstock.
- Marilee Richards son-in-law, Galileo, had knee replacement surgery recently and now has a bad infection in the knee. He underwent emergency surgery. Please pray for healing and protection for his knee.
- Update: My friends Aaron and Alicia no longer have COVID but do struggle with long-COVID problems. Thank you for continued prayers. From Lisa Comstock.
- Update: Tracy McLean (Martha Klingler's daughter) had a lung scan recently that showed a 35-50% reduction of all tumors and no new tumors. She is scheduled for another scan on November 30. They are thankful for our prayers. From Dottie Villesvik.
- Our son-in-law, Doug Schultz, has a long recovery ahead from a spinal cord injury. Prayers are requested for strength and mobility in his legs. From Annette and Wes King
- Please pray for Marilee Richard's friend, Kimberly, who has recently been placed on hospice.
- Update: Please continue to pray for Marilee Richard's daughter, Karen and for her doctors to find the best treatment. She is having difficulty speaking. Please also pray for her husband, Robert, and son, Steven, as this is difficult for the whole family.
- Rev. Karen Summers appreciates our continued prayers. From Shirley Solberg.
- Update: My friend Ida has died. Please pray for her family. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Willard who has stage 4 cancer. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Lillian who has serious cardiac issues. From Lisa Comstock.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer. Thank you for your prayers. From Jimmy Sharp.
- Larry O'Donnell still amazes us PTL! Thank you for your continued prayers for his energy level improvement. From Annette King.
- Update: Wes's shortness of breath is still a concern. We appreciate your continued prayers. From Annette King.

Continued Prayers for FPCE

- Prayers for members and friends during our time apart.
- Family of Dale & Janet Good
- Family of Dean Copeland
- Family of Ethel Geniesse
- Family of Scott Morrow
- Family of Roy Gresham
- Florence Day
- Family of John Moir

- Family of Lucille Hofer
- Robert Henry
- Carol Gresham
- Family of Liz Lombard
- Paul & Joyce Richardson
- Doug Paine friend of Marilee Richards
- LaMara Halstrom and Jane McMahon Steve and Nancy Torrence
- Pat Weakley Hein sister-in-law of Jan Weakley
- 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 Jan Geibel Clyde and Judy Pitcher's daughter
- Bob Salinas, brother of Rose and Sam Capetillo
- Cy Paydar nephew of Steve and Nancy Torrence

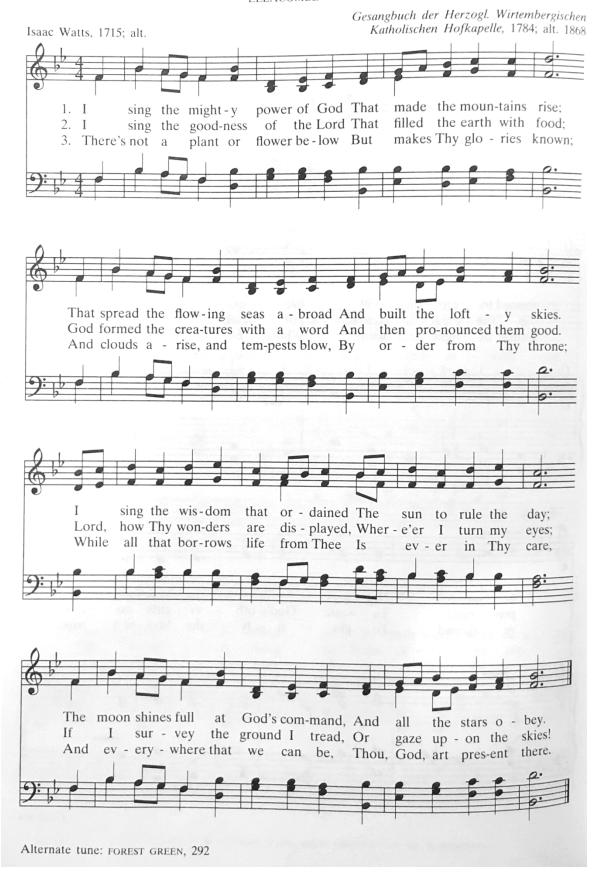
We pray for families affected by dementia and/or Alzheimer's. As with other individuals and families, we pray for successful research, perseverance, a sense of humor, and the Spirit's peace for Suzan, Judy Kutz's sister.

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Genesis 1

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

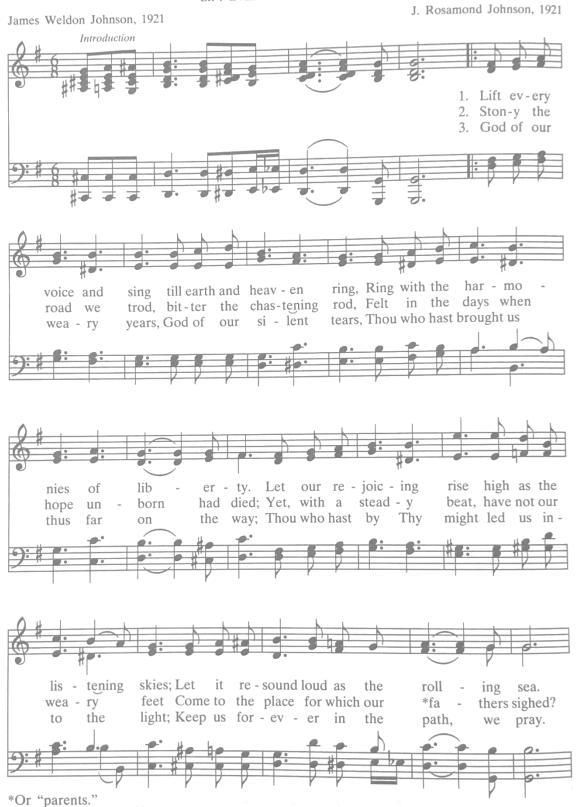
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