

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin

May 19, 2024 – 10am

Pentecost Sunday



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

The First Presbyterian Church of Everett welcomes you to worship. Friendship Pads are 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                      *Sleepers Wake* – J.S. Bach                      Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell                      Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome                      Lisa Comstock

Opening Prayer                      Lisa Comstock

**Almighty God, we remember how your Holy Spirit came to Jesus' disciples, hidden in an upper room in Jerusalem. A violent wind and tongues of fire were the symbols of a new thing happening in their lives. May your Holy Spirit burst into our lives today, encouraging and inspiring us to proclaim boldly the good news of Jesus Christ who offers healing and hope to all people. Amen.**

Call to Worship

Shirley Newman

Come Holy Spirit and light our hearts on fire with your presence.

**Let the wind of your presence blow throughout the world. Unite us, Holy Spirit!**

Across the barriers of language and culture,

**Let Christ's message of love and grace be heard.**

Unite us, Holy Spirit!

**We are attentive to your Spirit here with us this morning. Come Holy Spirit, Come!**

Hymn

*As the Wind Song*

Glory to God Hymnal #292 (see insert)

Prayer of Confession

Shirley Newman

**We confess, Lord, that we are not always ready for your Spirit. It is easier for us to hide in the upper rooms of our lives and not acknowledge your presence. But you have challenged us to come alive again with your love and words of healing mercy. Forgive our hesitant witness and our complacent spirits. Heal our fears and our wounds. Help us to be agents of healing and hope for others. Challenge and inspire us to overcome our feelings of inadequacy and remind us that you have called us your beloved people and have given us what we need to proclaim your Good News.**

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Shirley Newman

Don't be afraid! God's Holy Spirit brings you healing comfort and hope.

**We are being prepared to serve God in some mighty ways.**

God's Spirit is both Comforter and the disrupter of our lives

**May God's Spirit blow us toward wherever God is leading us.**

Rejoice! God's Holy Spirit is with you always.

Passing of the Peace

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

Hymn

*Spirit*

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Epistle Reading Romans 8:22-27

New Testament Reading Acts 2:1-21

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

Choir Anthem

*He Looked Beyond My Fault*

Directed by Steve Torrence

Sermon

*The Music of the Spirit*

Rev. Ann Lewis

During the Prayers of the People, Lisa will have us join together in the Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi. Please join when she invites us to.

Peace Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

**Lord, make me an instrument of your peace  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.**

**O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.**

**For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.**

**Amen**

Hymn                      *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

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Benediction

Rev. Ann Lewis

Postlude                *A Mighty Fortress – Bish*

Gary Norris, Organist

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## **Today's Choir Anthem**

### **He Looked Beyond My Fault**

Amazing grace shall always be my song of praise, for it was grace that bought my liberty. I do not know just why He came to love me so. He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.

I shall forever lift mine eyes to Calvary. To view the cross where Jesus died for me. How marvelous the grace that caught my falling soul. He looked beyond my fault and saw my need.

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## **Announcements**

Pastor Alan is on vacation and will return to the office on Thursday, May 23. Lunch with Alan is on break (May 20 and 27 Memorial Day) and Thursday Bible Study is on break (May 16). During this time, we are blessed to have the Rev. Ann Lewis preaching. Ann is a gifted leader who has co-pastored with her husband at Snohomish Presbyterian Church.

Doreen Solberg will be on vacation from May 22 through June 11. If you need office assistance during this time, please contact Pastor Alan.

### **Deacon's Thank You**

The Deacons would like to thank the members and friends of the congregation who responded to our call for cookies. Coffee hour, for the next while, is well supplied. Thank you to all who contributed. It is appreciated.

### **Cruzin' to Colby – Sunday, May 26**

Wetmore Avenue will be closed at 10 am on Sunday, May 26 for Cruzin' to Colby. Please plan accordingly when you come to church that day.

### **Youth Sunday School**

All children are invited to come to the youth room on the second floor during the Passing of the Peace.

### **Graduation Sunday – June 16<sup>th</sup>**

We will be honoring and celebrating the Class of 2024 on Graduation Sunday June 16 during our worship service. Are you or someone you know graduating this year? Tell us about it! We would like to honor all graduates on Graduation Sunday. Please complete and submit a graduate information form to the church office by June 2. Graduate information forms are available at the welcome center. You may also submit information on-line through our website:

<https://firstpreschurch.com/graduation-sunday>

### **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.

### **Lay Leadership**

On Sundays, we are blessed to have wonderful 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, then please talk with Pastor Alan or scan his QR code. No experience necessary, just a willing and open heart.



**Pastor's QR Code**

## Summer AquaSox Baseball Game – July 31<sup>st</sup>

Join Pastor Alan for a fun night of summer baseball! We have group upper reserved tickets for the AquaSox game on Wednesday July 31st at 7:05pm. Tickets are \$12 and can be purchased over the next few weeks. We have 20 tickets but can get more. Funko Field is a fun stadium, with easy parking, great views, and decently priced food. Plus, Roberto the Magnificent will make a special appearance during the game. Sign up at the welcome booth, talk with Pastor Alan or you may use this link to purchase with a credit card: <https://subspla.sh/qccfnjh/>

### Ed Coon's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

The children of Ed Coon invite you to join them in writing birthday cards with greetings, well wishes, and notes of remembrances for their dad. Please send them by June 1<sup>st</sup> to:

Ed Coon  
c/o Merry Trent  
2616 Hillside Lane, Everett WA 98203

**You are also invited to join them in a celebration of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday**

June 9, 2024, 12 – 2 pm

Forest Park Picnic Shelter, 802 E. Mukilteo Blvd, Everett WA.

Cake and beverages will be provided. Please feel free to bring a birthday card.

## Pentecost Special Offering – "I am coming to you" (John 14:18b)

This year we are again collecting the Pentecost Offering between now and Pentecost (May 19th, although later offerings will be accepted). The Pentecost offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start - A solid foundation of Faith formed in the first third of life, from childhood through young adulthood. The Pentecost Offering is unique from the other special offerings, in that a full 40% of funds collected are kept by our congregation to further ministries with children and youth in our community. Your Mission Committee has decided these funds will again go to Dawson's Place here in Everett (<https://www.dawsonplace.org/>). The remaining funds are divided between the Young Adult Volunteers experience (25%), PC(USA) Youth Ministries (25%), and the remaining 10% goes to the "Educate a Child, Transform the World" initiative. To give, simply notate "Pentecost Offering" on your check or use the envelopes in the pews. For additional information, visit [www.pcusa.org/Pentecost](http://www.pcusa.org/Pentecost) or speak with Kari Nupen or Dottie Villevik after church.

## Thursday Bible Study

Our next Thursday Bible Study focus will be on the book of Revelation. Have you ever wondered about the end times? Have you been concerned when fellow Christians start pointing out 'signs'? Do you think the last book of the bible seems crazy and not understandable? Then join Pastor Alan as we take an 8-week dive into Revelation. We will gather via Zoom to study the "Who, What, When, and Why?" of Revelation and then over the course of our study, dive into the symbols, confusion, faith, and witness of Revelation. See Thursday Bible Study under This Week for Zoom meeting information.

## **SCRABBLE**

We invite newbies, the average “word-joe”, experts, mentors, and YOU to join us on June 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm to 3:00pm in Westminster Hall for fellowship, fun and SCRABBLE. The north door will be open from 12:50pm to 1:00pm. Hope to see YOU there!

## **VOA Food Donations**

We donated 279 pounds to the Volunteers of America Food Bank here in Everett in May. Awesome job! Our next drive-through collection is Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12pm. Pastor Alan and Ken Newman will be accepting non-perishable food in the alley. You can also bring non-perishable food any Sunday and add it to the collection boxes at each door. Thank you for your donations.

## **Musicians Request**

Do you play or have a musical gift that you would be willing to share with the congregation? If so, then please contact Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries or talk with Pastor Alan. We would love to have you add your gifts to our worship experience.

## **Hymn Requests**

The Worship Committee invites you to suggest a favorite song or hymn for inclusion in worship. There are request forms next to the offering box. Just fill one out and drop it in the offering box and we will try our best to include your hymn in worship in the following weeks.

## **This Week...**

- **Adult Sunday School** – There will be no Adult Sunday school today. It will resume on May 26.
- **Lunch with Alan** – There will be no Lunch with Alan on May 20 and May 27. It will resume on June 3.
- **Thursday Bible Study** – There will be no Thursday Bible Study on May 23. It will resume on May 30.
- **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...**

The First Presbyterian Church is a sanctuary open to all people. Please:

- 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 Requests May 19, 2024

- We pray for peace and the cessation of war in Israel/Palestine. While there are historical and political complexities and layers to this conflict, we boldly pray for Israeli and Palestinian families who have been caught in the middle and torn apart. We pray for those grieving, for those suffering, for those confused, and for those whose only reaction is to seek revenge. We pray for comfort, relief, healing, and release. We seek your peace that defies understanding to settle on families, individuals, and leaders on all sides. We pray, fully knowing we do not have the answers, knowing we are weak and sometimes prejudiced, but trusting our Lord Jesus knows the answer, is working, and is present there.
- We pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine.
- Please pray for those affected by the devastating floods in my hometown of Brazil and the larger community. From Rosemary Cassady.
- Judy Pitcher died Thursday, May 9. She was surrounded by her family and was at peace. Her memorial will be Saturday, June 29 at 2pm in the sanctuary. Please keep the extended Pitcher family in your prayers.
- Please pray for our friend's sister and husband who was recently diagnosed with cancer. Pray for strength and healing as he begins radiation treatments. From Alan & Vicki Dorway.
- **Update:** Thank you for the prayers for our friend's mom. She is responding well to her cancer treatments and appreciates your prayers. From Vicki & Alan Dorway
- Richan Jensen, sister of Dariel Norris, is terminally ill with cancer.
- **Update:** We pray for Sophia, Sam & Rose Capetillo's niece, who is in the hospital going through tests. The doctors believe that with some antibiotics she will have the vision in her one eye restored. The family appreciates our prayers.
- **Update:** Thank you for your ongoing prayers. My brother is doing well. He is continuing with treatment and physical therapy. He recently returned to work; thanks be to God. From Sondra Santos.
- We pray for Jack Cooper who had surgery on his foot. Darcie and Jack appreciate our prayers.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer's son, James, who had a heart attack and will be put on a pacemaker. From Jimmy Sharp.
- **Update:** Prayers for LeAnne, Mike & Martha Cleman's great granddaughter, who is beginning phase 2 of her chemo treatment for leukemia. Prayers for healing, strength, and wisdom.
- Marilee Richards' daughter, Karen, is homeless and needs stability in her life.
- Marilee Richards' grandson, Cody, needs direction and wisdom.
- Chris Butterfield will be consulting with a neurosurgeon regarding issues with his back and will be having surgery on his back. From Lisa Comstock.
- Elizabeth Nelson's good friend Heather Burke, who has on occasion sung soprano at our church, has a sister Angie who is battling cancer. Angie is a wife, mother to a 13-year-old, and a very talented business owner. She was diagnosed with uterine cancer and is now being treated with chemotherapy. Heather appreciates our prayers.
- Steve, friend of Mike Clemans, for successful recovery from a rare form of cancer.

## **Continued Prayers for FPCE**

- Family of Marilyn Carter
- Family of Hugh Minor
- Family of Clyde Pitcher
- Family of Deirdre Hervey
- Family of Carol Hopper
- Dale Collver – from Tom & Pat Erickson
- Arlene Mawudeku
- Jan Geibel, daughter of Judy Pitcher
- Robby as he continues to heal and for Monica helping every step of the way – from Martha and Mike Clemans

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.



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# Spirit

James K. Manley, 1975

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Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, Blow through the

wil - der-ness, call - ing and free, Spir - it,

spir - it of rest - less - ness, Stir me from plac - id-ness, Wind,

wind on the sea.

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1. You moved on the wa - ters, You called to the
  2. You swept through the des - ert, You stung with the
  3. You sang in a sta - ble, You cried from a
  4. You call from to - mor - row, You break an - cient

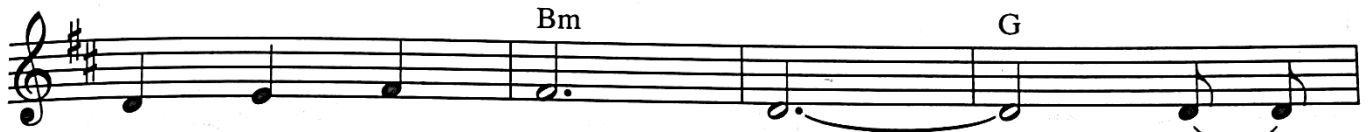
deep, Then You coaxed up the moun - tains From the  
 sand, And You gift - ed your peo - ple With a  
 hill, Then You whis - pered in si - lence When the  
 schemes, From the bond - age of sor - row The



val - leys of sleep, And o - ver the e -  
 law and a land, And when they were blind -  
 whole world was still, And down in the cit -  
 cap - tives dream dreams; Our wom - en see vi -



ons You called to each thing, "A -  
 ed With their i - dols and lies, Then You  
 y You called once a - gain When You  
 sions, Our men clear their eyes. With



wake from your slum - bers And  
 spoke through Your proph - ets To  
 blew through Your peo - ple On the  
 bold new de - ci - sions Your



rise on your wings."  
 o - pen their eyes.  
 rush of the wind.  
 peo - ple a - rise.

# O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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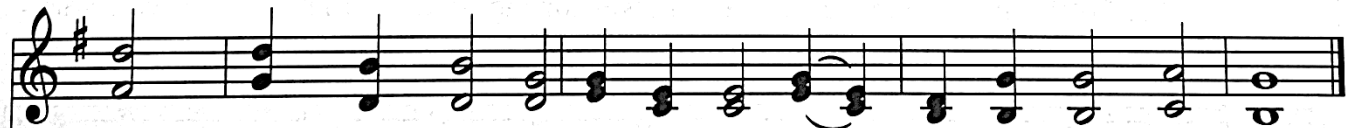
Charles Wesley, 1738; alt.

Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828

Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839



1. O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Re-deem-er's praise,
2. Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sor - rows cease;
3. Christ breaks the power of reign - ing sin, And sets the pris - oner free;
4. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As - sist me to pro - claim,

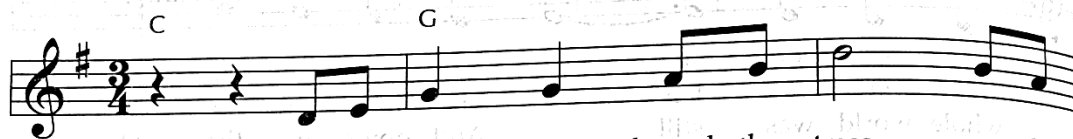


The glo - ries of my God and King, The tri - umphs of God's grace!  
'Tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.  
Christ's blood can make the sin - ful clean, Christ's blood a - vailed for me.  
To spread through all the earth a - broad The hon - ors of Thy name.



## As the Wind Song

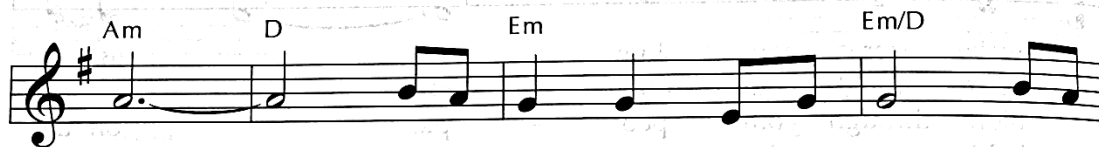
## 風之頌



1 As the wind song through the trees, as the  
 2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the  
 1 風之頌, 林中吹送, 輕風之  
 2 彩之虹, 雨後高懸, 生之



stir - ring of the breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 hope that's born a - gain, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 送, 心中振動, 上主的靈如風吹  
 盼, 人間再現, 上主的靈如風吹



God, as the heart made strange-ly warm, as the  
 God, as the green in the spring, as a  
 送; 心溫暖, 奇異難明, 風浪  
 送; 春天裡, 青山綠水, 線上

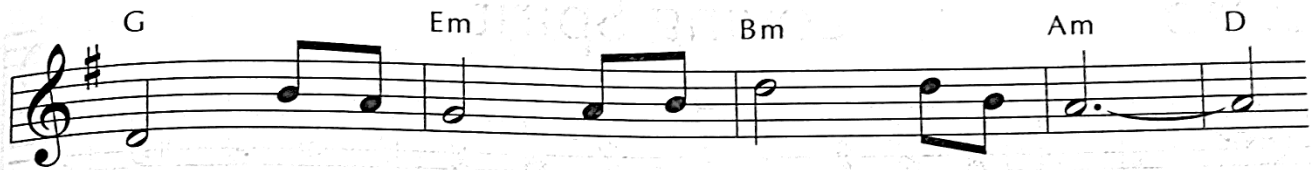


voice with - in the storm, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 kite on a string, so it is with the Spir - it of  
 中, 靜聽主聲, 上主的靈如風吹  
 繫飛揚風箏, 上主的靈如風吹

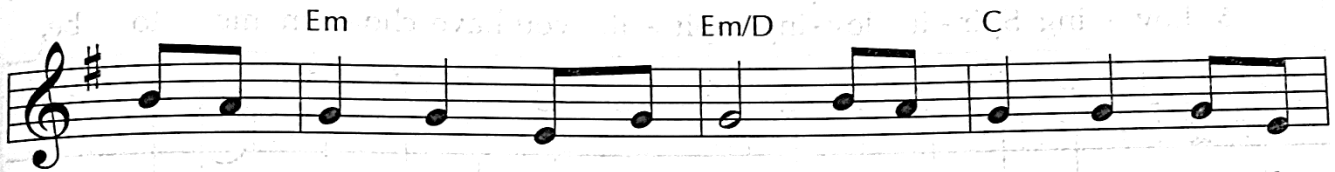


God. Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has  
 God, mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come  
 送; 眼不見, 心未明, 風來去何  
 送; 大地萬象更新, 和平終實

Reversing the usual order, this hymn began with the music rather than the words. The composer (from Singapore) sent this tune to the author (in New Zealand) to see what text it might inspire from her. She also suggested the tune name, a Maori phrase meaning "Holy Spirit."



blown bring-ing life, bring-ing power to the world,  
true, bring-ing gifts, bring-ing love to the world,  
蹤, 給 世 人 賜 生 命 加 力 量;  
現, 給 世 人 帶 來 愛 和 禮 物;



as the danc - ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de -  
as the ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the  
火 之 舌, 跳 動 飛 舞, 心 深 處, 朝 思 暮  
麵 之 酵, 悄 然 膨 升, 盛 宴 上, 醇 香 美



sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God.  
feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.  
想, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。  
酒, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。