



First Presbyterian Church of Everett

The Carillon

A Publication of the First Presbyterian Church of Everett



The LORD hath done
great things
for us; whereof
we are glad.

~PSALM 126:3, KJV~



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November 2021**

Sunday In-person & Virtual Worship Schedule:

10:00 am - 11:00 am - Worship
11:00 am - Fellowship
12:00 pm - Adult Sunday School

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Hybrid Worship - Sundays at 10am



If you are unable to attend in-person worship, we invite you to join us for an interactive virtual Sunday worship service, Sundays at 10:00am on the church's Facebook page. Just be on our Facebook page at 10:00am and wait for the live video to start. If you have not had an opportunity to like or follow us on Facebook, you can do so by visiting <https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresbyterianChurchofEverett/>

You can hear and/or view previous worship services and find worship guides on our mobile app or by visiting our website at <https://firstpreschurch.com/sermons>

You can also watch our worship services on our YouTube channel. Subscribe today by visiting https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBm4b8eSW9TqN1e1RoFkdag?view_as=public

Worship guides are posted on our website and mobile app, the Friday before worship.

REMINDER - Masks must be worn in our church facility.



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October 2021

To the Members and Friends of the First Presbyterian Church of Everett,

We thought 2020 was a momentary year of being upside down, and then we walked into 2021. This year has been different, both in ways we've struggled and celebrated. Indeed, our 2021 theme *Celebrate*, has been a positive reminder that God is in charge.

For instance, when we have struggled to navigate the constantly changing landscape of our church, city, and nation, we celebrated the gradual ability to increase in-person worship. When we wrestled with how to worship together, we celebrated the improving online experience. When we struggled in desiring to be in relationships, we celebrated and laughed at our learning curve as we used technology to bridge distances between us. When we struggled to grieve as a church, we celebrated the small ways we could honor friends and family together.

When overwhelmed by surges and concerns for each other, we celebrated our ability to pray for each other. We have celebrated how a Zoom portal allowed us, across distances, to study God's Word together. Together, we have been steadfast and loving as we serve our community in new ways through Dinner at the Bell. Together, we worshiped at sunrise for Easter, gathered for a picnic, respected each other's comfort level, encouraged each other, and have recently reopened our doors to the Everett Cooperative Preschool.

We have thrived as followers of Jesus. In 2020, we appealed to you, to help us end strong with our budget. We did. This year, we again planned for a deficit budget, but with lagging expenses and faithful giving, we are forecasting a positive financial end to 2021. Our session is gearing up to plan for our ministry and mission for 2022. Your annual pledges provide the consistent support helping to sustain our ministry in person and online. A pledge is your gift of visioning for our church. Our collective resources allow our leaders to plan for and fulfill our yearly ministry goals to share the good news of Jesus here in our community.

Beginning on Reformation Sunday, October 31st, through Christ the King Sunday, November 21st, we will be proactively sharing how your pledge supports our ministry. Our theme for 2022 is *Read, Pray, Love*. We will remind ourselves through God's Word, praying in the Holy Spirit, and through Jesus' love, we will grow in worship, discipleship, and service. In 2022, we will be seeking God's direction for the present and the future.

We know these past two years have been unique and your financial support is a blessing and a gift. Thank you for giving to our ministry in 2022.

Peace,

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway and the Elders of FPCE

Priscilla Circle

Priscilla Circle will meet on Monday, November 8, at 11:30am in Calvin Lounge. Jan Weakley will lead the study lesson-chapter two in our study book. Lois Tysseling will serve as hostess.

Since it doesn't seem feasible to have a bake sale this year, members present will discuss how to raise some funds to support a person or family for the Y.W.C.A. Christmas program. This year, instead of gifts and to protect the safety of everyone, it has been decided by the Y.W.C.A. to purchase gift cards.

Judy Campbell will contact Karla Danson, Community Resources Coordinator, to see if we can have members donate money and then just submit a check to Karla to purchase the gift cards that she deems most appropriate for their client(s).

For our next meeting, we are asked to bring a picture of our parents' or grandparents' wedding.



Special Dates:

All Saints' Day, November 1, 2021

Daylight-Saving Time ends, November 7, 2021

Veterans Day, November 11, 2021

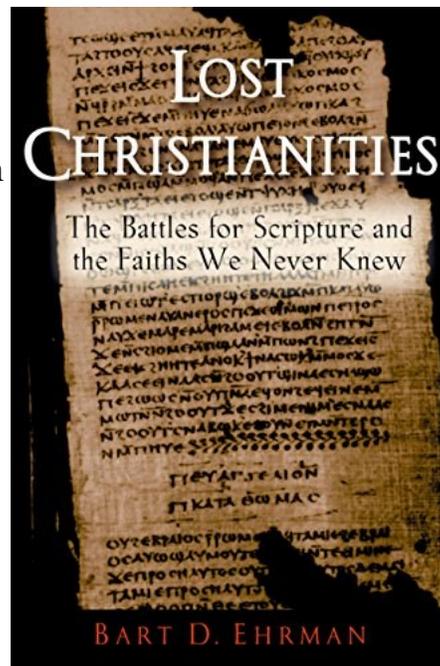
Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021

First Sunday of Advent, November 28, 2021

Adult Sunday School: Lost Christianities

Our new Sunday school series is underway. It is based on a series of recorded lectures by Professor Bart Ehrman of the University of North Carolina Department of Religious Studies. This course explores the remarkable diversity of beliefs and writings propounded by people who considered themselves to be Christians in the first few centuries AD.

We will hear about the many Christian writings of the first few centuries that were often fanciful and entertaining, but which did not end up being included in the New Testament canon of Scripture. Some of these writings were eventually considered to be harmless, but not to belong in the core canon of Scripture, while other writings were considered to be misleading and even dangerous to salvation. The course is a fascinating study of what we present-day Christians generally take for granted and what perhaps could have been if Christian history had taken another direction.



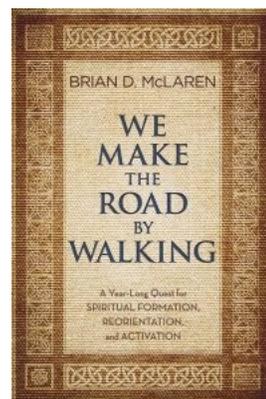
While in modern times there remain notable variations in belief and emphasis between different Christian sects and denominations, these differences pale compared to more radical differences in understanding of the Christian message in the earliest days of Christianity. Interestingly, many “new” interpretations of the Christian message are not new at all, but merely the return of old ideas that have been rejected previously as erroneous. On the other hand, there is also room within the Christian faith for new interpretation and growing understanding that remains within the bounds of what is considered orthodox.

Thursday Virtual Bible Study

We have started our yearlong journey walking through the bible. We are using *We Make the Road by Walking* by Brian D. McLaren. While it's not crucial to have the book, the commentary, reflections, and questions the book includes will help each one of us come prepared to engage the text.

Remaining Course Outline:

- November 4 – Chapter 10
- November 11 – Chapter 12
- November 18 – Chapter 13
- December 2 – Chapter 15
- December 9 – Chapter 16
- December 16 – Chapter 17
- December 23 – Chapter 17a



Please visit www.firstpreschurch.com/Thursday-bible-study for Zoom details.

Library Update - November 2021

Wherever you get your reading materials, I hope you're finding what you're looking for and enjoying what you find. Perhaps our church library can be part of your plan.

For example, our new study using Brian McLaren's *We Make the Path by Walking* is off to a great start. Last month we featured additional titles by this prolific author.

For November, here are some suggestions for books to support the McLaren topics we will be considering in the next few weeks. To locate others on your own, it's easy to check online at (<https://15781.rmwebopac.com/Search>). Note: If you're reading the digital *Carillon*, the previous parenthesis provides a clickable link to our online public catalog.

McLaren gives his own special touches to what we usually call The Ten Commandments, one of the November topics (see Exodus 20:1-21). For other authors' takes, see any number of books in our collection. Are they all together? Not really. Some are at 222.16 or 222.19 putting them with additional titles on Exodus. However, others are at 241.5 shelving them with other texts on Christian conduct. You can see how each classification number makes sense. A few samples:

William Barclay	The Ten Commandments	241.5 Bar
	The Old Law & the New Law	241.5 Bar
Joan Chittister	The Ten Commandments: the Law of the Heart	241.5 Chi
J. Ellsworth Kalas	The Ten Commandments from the Back Side	241.5 Cal
Patrick Miller	The Ten Commandments (Interpretation)	222.16 Mil
Stanley Hauerwas	The Truth about God: Ten Commandments in Christian Life	241.5 Hau
Walter J. Hareison	The Ten Commandments for Today	241.5 Har
Ernst Lange	Ten Great Freedoms	241.5 Lan

Each week's Bible study session includes reading, discussing, and relating several portions of scripture. Commentaries on each of these are easy to find with or without the online search feature of our catalog. Bibles and interpretive comments are all in the Dewey 220s in our library (or any library using Dewey Decimal Classification).

Our books are in the same order as the books of the Bible. They march along the shelves from Genesis to Revelation following whole Bibles (220) and their commentaries. Thus, you can quickly find relevant material to shed light on the week's biblical focus. Or you may call me and ask to have something put aside for you to pick up when you come for worship.

Let's use the rich resources we have, to enrich our Bible studies.

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Fourth Monday Book Group - November 2021

We look forward to tempting titles for the last two months of 2021 Book Group. There is no book set for either of our concluding lineup titles, but they are both worth the effort of locating through libraries, purchase, sharing, or borrowing from friends. Dates and titles are listed below. I sometimes have access to an extra copy so it's always fine to ask me if I have one.

The only new and very good news here is that that Laurel Halvorson has volunteered to lead the discussion on the November book, *The Personal Librarian*. This is a recent and well-reviewed title. This means that many libraries have purchased copies but to obtain one you may need to get on a waiting list as soon as possible. It is thoroughly researched historical fiction, with a number of fruitful ideas for us to discuss.

It also features an easily overlooked aspect of librarianship. Wouldn't it be nice to have a personal librarian? I could certainly use one myself!

Here's the list that will carry us through the year:

November 22 *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict & Victoria Christopher Murray
Leader - Laurel Halvorson

“A powerful take on the accomplishments of J.P. Morgan’s librarian.... Benedict and Murray do a great job capturing Belle’s passion and tenacity as she carves a place for herself in a racist male-dominated society. This does fine justice to a remarkable historical figure.”

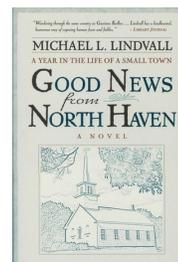
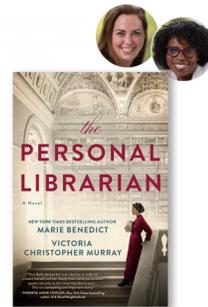
—*Publishers Weekly*

December 27 *Good News from North Haven: a Year in the Life of a Small Town* by Michael Lindvall Leader - TBA

A small-town church account, each chapter a separate story, all neatly in order, beginning and ending with Christmas as a year should!

Please let me know if you are not on the book group email list and would like to be. Then check your email for Zoom links or any necessary changes in schedule. I hope to see you via Zoom November 22, and again on December 27.

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For Zoom meeting details and additional Book Group information, please visit our website at <http://www.firstpreschurch.com/book-group>



CARING FOR OUR EARTH (It's easy being green!)

From the Estuary Angels



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Remove, Refuse, Repair

Snohomish County Has Five Watersheds

In our Thursday Bible study with Pastor Alan, we're following the book, *We Make the Road by Walking*, by Brian D. McLaren. Chapter 2 states that if part of being image bearers of God means that we represent God in caring for the Earth, it's important to learn about our corner of the Earth, to learn about our watershed.

What is a watershed? The term describes an area of land that drains downslope to the lowest point. The water moves through a network of drainage pathways, both underground and on the surface. Generally, these pathways converge into streams and rivers, which become progressively larger as the water moves on downstream, eventually reaching an estuary and the ocean. Because water moves downstream, any activity that affects the water quality, quantity, or rate of movement at one location can affect locations downstream. For this reason, everyone living or working within a watershed needs to cooperate to ensure good watershed conditions.

Five watersheds make up Snohomish County. They are the Skagit, Stillaguamish, Snohomish, Lake Washington, and Puget Sound Watersheds. See maps at snohomishcountywa.gov/1060/maps. A watershed map also will be placed on the Estuary Angels bulletin board. The Snohomish Conservation District has many services to help individuals and communities protect our water and use sustainable practices, including the rain barrel program, native plant sale, yard care, sustainable landscaping, habitat restoration, residential gardens, depaving, and smart watering. They provide webinars, videos, classes, and tour events.

Some things we can do to help protect our water, all the way to the orcas and the salmon they feed on. **Switch** to non-toxic household cleaners and yard products. **Plant** native plants in yards and along streets and creeks to filter and reduce pollutants. **Dispose** properly of pet waste. Scoop it, bag it, trash it. **Maintain** car engines and tires properly to reduce tire tread and car leaks that flow to the sound in rainwater runoff. **Wash** your car at a carwash. **Safely** dispose of medicines. **Reduce** paved spaces where possible, reducing water runoff. **Install** a rain garden in your yard to filter pollutants from roofs, yards, and driveways. *Source: Snohomish Conservation District*

Special Days

Nov. 6 is *Int'l Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict* and *National Play Outside Day*. Nov. 15 is *America Recycles Day*. Nov. 18 is *Use Less Stuff Day*. Nov. 22 is *Humane Society Day*. Nov. 26-28 is *Buy Nothing Day*.

Enjoy the Beauty Around Us

The Adopt A Stream Foundation's Northwest Stream Center has reopened to the public on a reservation-only basis Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Walk through forest and wetland on the Elevated Nature Trail. For rates and to register, see streamkeeper.org.

"Every leaf speaks bliss to me, fluttering from the Autumn tree." - Emily Bronte

Questions about
vaccination,
testing, exposure,
prevention, and
contact tracing?

Monday-Friday
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Call the
COVID Call
Center for
Snohomish
County:

425-339-5278



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WWW.SNOHD.ORG



Snohomish County

Church Directory Update

The church office will be publishing an updated church directory soon. Do you have an update to your mailing address, home phone, cell phone, and/or email address that you would like included in the directory? If so, please email your information to doreen@firstpreschurch.com or call the church office before November 10. Thank you.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Help and encouragement after
the death of a spouse, child,
family member, or friend.

Sundays 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

September 19 - December 12, 2021

Madison Community Church

6900 Wetmore Ave, Everett, 98203

office@madisoncc.org 425-353-2293

One time \$20 fee for participant book & registration

To register go to griefshare.org



NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS!



The First Presbyterian Church of Everett sends greetings to all of our members and friends celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this month.



Join us in wishing the following members a happy birthday and/or happy anniversary (if you are a **member or friend** whose name is not listed, please contact Doreen in the church office to update your record, so that we can include you in the future celebration listings):

Anniversaries:

No anniversaries to share for November.

Birthdays:

11/2 Marquisha May
11/3 Travis Bacon
11/5 James Angell
11/7 George Newland
11/8 Nathan Solberg
11/15 Nadine Smith
11/18 Peyton Lust
11/18 Shirley Morrow
11/19 Barbara Yates
11/20 Haley Kniest
11/20 Matthew Minor
11/20 Sondra Santos
11/20 Dottie Villevik
11/22 Scott Morrow
11/24 Clyde Pitcher
11/26 Judy Hammond
11/26 Jean Messner
11/27 Erin Lorio
11/29 Doris Pearson



E-Newsletter Submission Deadlines

PLEASE NOTE - During the pandemic, distribution of e-newsletters and the Carillon may be interrupted. We thank you for your understanding.

If you have information you would like included in upcoming 2nd and 4th Monday e-newsletters, please send that information to sondra@firstpreschurch.com by the following deadlines:

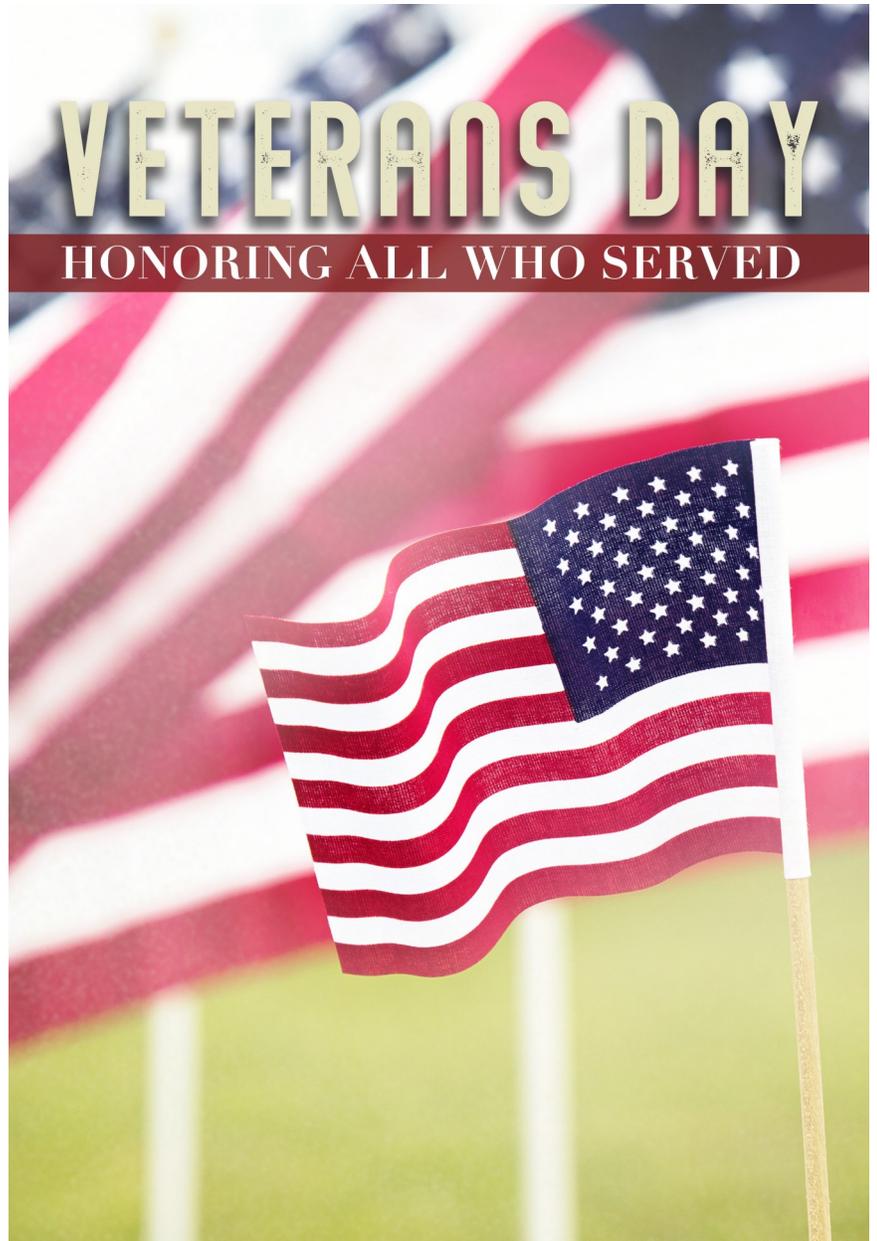
November 4, 2021 (for 2nd Monday)

November 18, 2021 (for 4th Monday)

If you have information you would like included in upcoming edition of The Carillon, please e-mail your submission to sondra@firstpreschurch.com by the deadline noted below. The Carillon is distributed on the last Sunday. Upcoming Deadline:

November 14, 2021

ALL SUBMISSIONS DUE BY 5:00PM ON DUE DATE.



Veterans Day, November 11, 2021



Don't be late for church!
Daylight-Saving Time ends on
November 7.
Remember to turn clock back
one hour



Sing Advent!

Advent begins Sunday November 28! To help us *Sing Advent*, Pastor Alan will be leading Sunday School throughout Advent on select songs and the history and meaning behind them. We will be gathering in Calvin Lounge and via Zoom (see link below) at 11:30am. Come prepared to discuss, laugh, learn, and even sing. The schedule is:

November 28 – Traditional Songs

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
Come Thou Long Expected Jesus
Watchman Tell Us of the Night

December 5 – Pop Culture Songs

All I Want for Christmas is You
Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas/Peace Carol
Welcome Christmas

December 12 – Modern Songs

Light of the World
Mary Did You Know?/Hallelujah
I Celebrate the Day

December 19 – Lessons and Carols

What and why

There will be no Sunday School on December 26th or January 2nd.

Zoom Link:

Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 431 912 4902

Passcode: FPCE21!





Lunch with Alan

Prepare a lunch and sign on for a simple and fun opportunity to connect with one another. Lunch with Alan takes place Tuesdays at noon on Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4319124902?pwd=aWVCbHM1bCs5dTE3Y1I2ZkpLUEZTdDZ09)
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Meeting ID: 431 912 4902

Passcode: FPCE21!



Church Leadership

Moderator – Alan Dorway

Ruling Elders

Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Steve Hammond	Marne Larson	Elizabeth Nelson
Jamie Hunter	Bill Grosse	Debbie Roberts
David Baer- Peckham	John Gebert	Roy Yates

Deacons

Class of 2021	Class of 2022	Class of 2023
Marilyn Minch	Lisa Comstock	Sonya Beardsley
Doris Pearson	Bob Barren	Amy Farnham
Ed Pearson	Barbara Barren	

