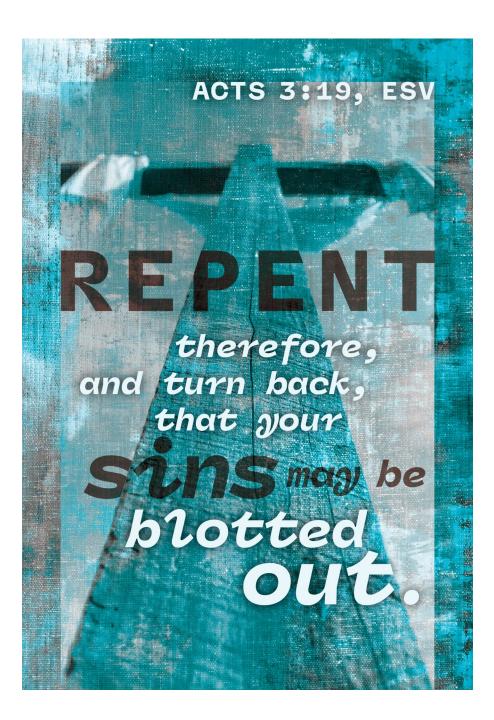


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The Carillon February 2024

Sunday In-person & Virtual Worship Schedule:

10-11 a.m.- Worship 11 a.m. - Fellowship 11:30 a.m. -Adult Sunday School

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Hybrid Worship - Sundays at 10am



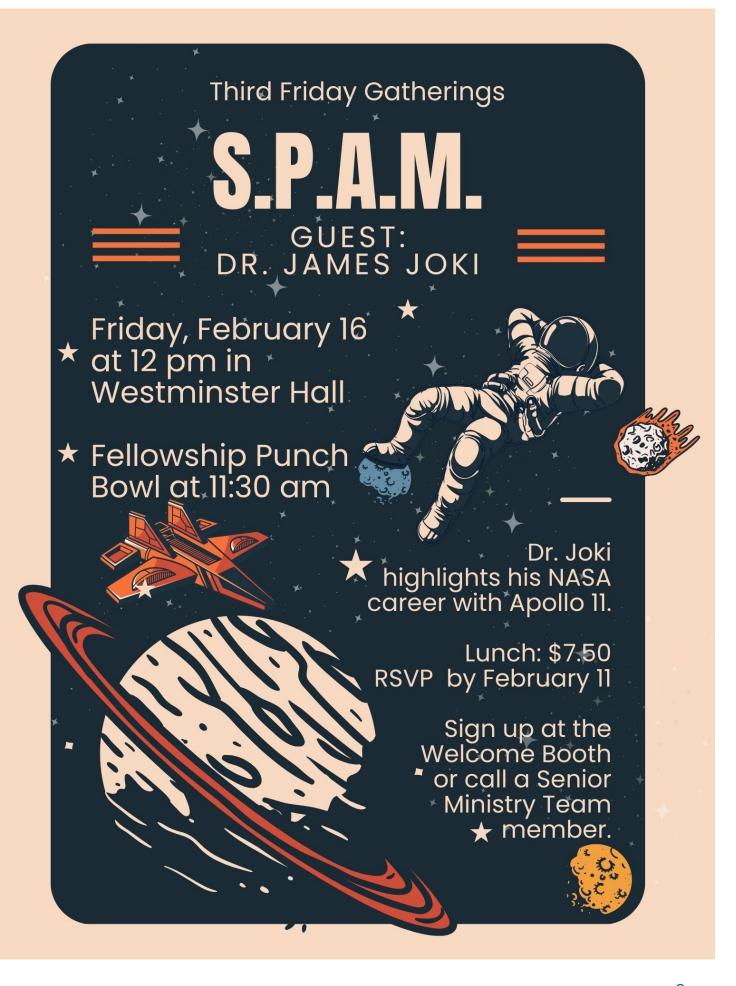
If you are unable to attend in-person worship, we invite you to join us for an interactive virtual Sunday worship service, Sundays at 10 a.m. on the church's Facebook page. Just be on our Facebook page at 10 a.m. and wait for the live video to start. If you have not had an opportunity to like or follow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

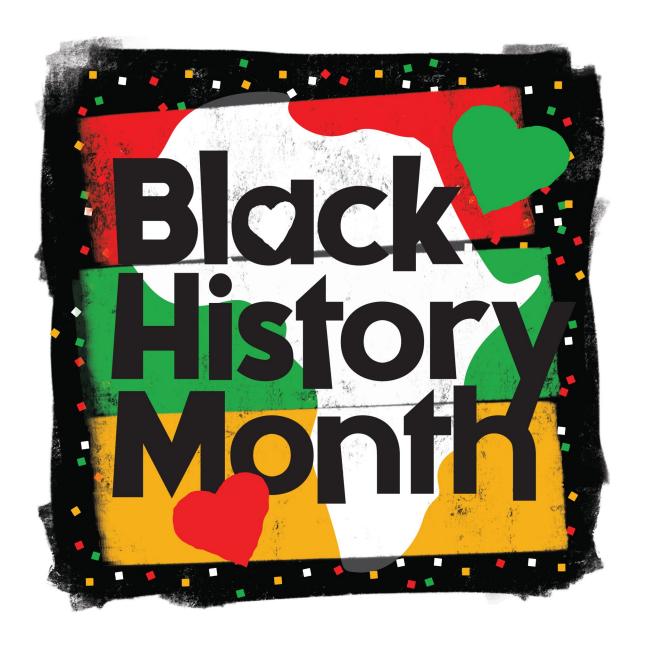
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You can also watch our worship services on our You Tube channel. Subscribe today by visiting https://www.youtube.com/channel/
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Worship bulletins are posted on our website and mobile app, the Friday before worship.





February is Black History Month! Shirley Solberg, our amazing church librarian, has put together a thoughtful list of good reads to commemorate Black history. Be sure to check out her Library Update on page six to see some of her suggestions that are on the bookshelves in our church library.



For me, as your organist, I prepare for Lent, that 40 day seaon of prayer, reflection, and sacrifice. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday (February 14) and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday (March 28), also known as Maundy Thursday. My preparation focuses on a selection of music that will enhance our Lenten journey to arrive at Easter on March 31.

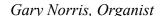
On the first Sunday of Lent (Feburary 18), I will offer a prelude and a postlude. I welcome your suggestions for other organ pieces and lenten hymns that could be played in these times.

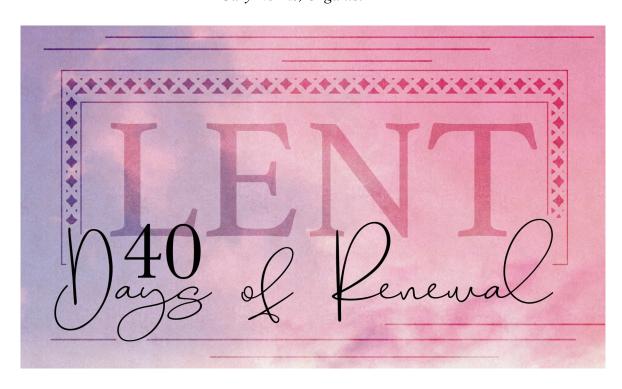
I am personally moved by the words of Issac Watts, Hymn #100 in our Presbyterian Hymnbook:

"Were the whole Realm of Nature mine, That were a Present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my Soul, my Life, my All."

Dear Lord, thank you for the gift of music and song, especially as we worship you Sunday by Sunday in our beloved church.

Thank you for the music we hear from choir and organ, and the hymns we sing that stirs our hearts, renews our faith, and puts melodies in our lives throughout the week, keeping before us your great love and call to be your faithful people in every walk of our lives. Amen





Library Update - February 2024

Our shortest month offers much to celebrate. Along with hosting Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, and Presidents' Day, February is Black History Month. Our library is quite well stocked to support this timely subject.

A few samples:

Becoming	Michelle Obama	921 Obama M
Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents	Isabel Wilkerson	305.5 Wil
Dreams from My Father	Barack Obama	973.0405 Oba
Four Hundred Souls: History of African America	Ibram X. Kendi	973.049 Ken
In Spirit and in Truth: Music of African American Worship	Melva W. Costen	781.71 Cos
Love Is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times	Michael B. Curry	241.4 Cur
The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration	Michelle Alexander	364.97 Ale
Quiet Strength: Principles, Practices, and Priorities	Tony Dungy	277.3 Dun
So You Want to Talk About Race	Ijeoma Oluo	305.80 Olu
Walking with the Wind: A Memoir of the Movement	John Lewis	328.73 Lew

In addition to these titles, our young people's library on the third floor has many picture books along with novels and histories for young readers.

For other choices, visit the Burgundy Bookmobile in Westminster Hall before or after worship. The canvas bag on the Bookmobile is for your convenience in returning books.

Or better yet, find a few moments to browse the shelves of the library on the first floor by the church office or the young people's library on third floor. You may be surprised by what treasures you find.

As always, please contact me if I can be of help.

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Fourth Monday Book Group - February 2024

Book Group will continue to convene virtually at 10am on the fourth Monday morning of each month unless announced otherwise. Participation is open to all; new readers are always welcome.

As previously announced, here's the plan for the road ahead:

February 26 The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell

Robert Dugoni Leader: David Dorway

From the back of the book: "Sam Hill always saw the world through different eyes. Born with red pupils, he was called 'Devil Boy' by his classmates; 'God's will' is what his mother called his ocular albinism. Her words were of little comfort, but Sam persevered, buoyed by his mother's devout faith, his father's practical wisdom, and his two misfit friends..."

No book set but there's plenty of time to locate a copy of this unique story.

Obviously, we need to make some choices for 2024 reading. Many thanks to each of you who took part in November's "What I Am Reading" Zoom. Kudos to Diana for masterminding this fruitful venture. Her meticulous list of titles gives us a starting point for filling out the new year's reading.

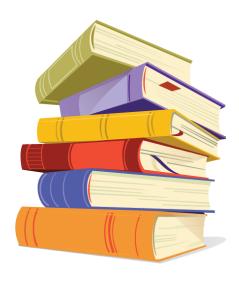
We are certainly not limited to this list. Perhaps you were as fortunate as I to receive books as gifts since our last meeting. Please come to the meeting with your ideas.

To take part in monthly discussions, log in via Zoom at 10am PST on the date listed. Watch your email for the link. To be added to the email list please contact me by phone or email.

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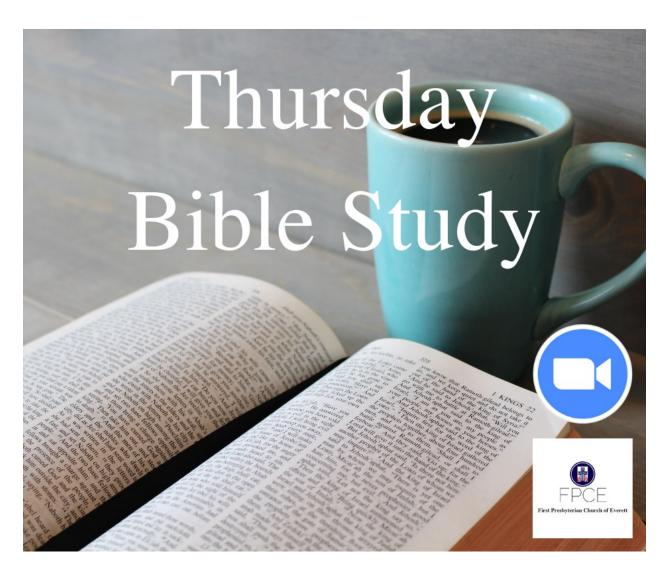


Winter is here!

Please be sure to visit our inclement weather webpage for information on scheduled church activities should we experience any adverse weather conditions.

www.firstpreschurch.com/ advisories





Thursday Bible Study has started a new study on Job. This series runs through March 21st. Our Thursday Bible study schedule is as follows:

February 1 Job 4:1-14:22 Round 1

February 8 Job 15-21 Round 2

February 15 Job 22-27 Round 3

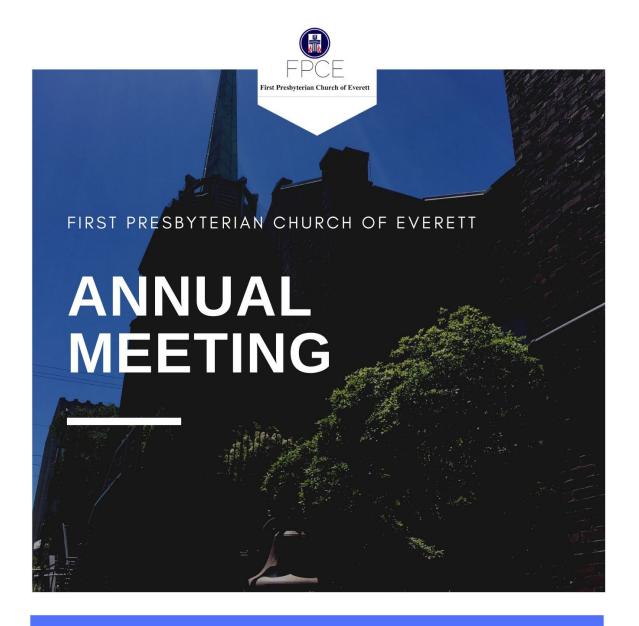
February 22 Job 28-31 Job's Last Stand

February 29 Job 32-37 Who is Elihu?

March 7 Job 38-40:5 God's 1st Answer

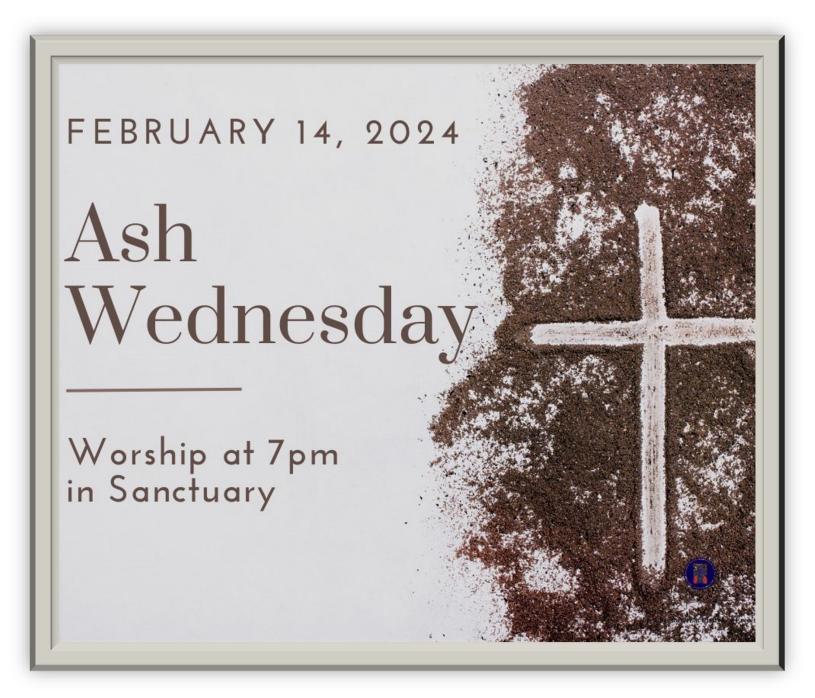
March 14 Job 40:6-41:34 God's 2nd Answer

March 21 Job 42 Last Words



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2024 AFTER WORSHIP

MEETING IN SANCTUARY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP. COPIES OF THE ANNUAL REPORT WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE.



CROSS OF ASHES — On Ash Wednesday, as Lent begins, worshipers' foreheads are often marked with ashes in the sign of the cross. The ashes traditionally come from burning palm branches from the previous Palm Sunday. In the Old Testament, ashes were a sign of mourning and repentance. Today, some worshipers wipe off the ashes before leaving church, to symbolize being cleansed from sin by Jesus' death; others wear the ashes the rest of the day, carrying the cross of Christ into the world. Reciting Genesis 3:19 often accompanies the placement of ashes: "You are dust, and to dust you shall return."

FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS!



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

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 future celebration listings.

Join us in wishing the following members & friends a happy birthday and/or anniversary:

Anniversaries:

- 2/5 Alan & Dottie Villesvik
- 2/12 Jeff & Marne Larson
- 2/23 Tony & Lois Tysseling
- 2/24 Alan & Vicki Dorway

Birthdays:

- 2/3 Arlene Mawudeku
- 2/6 Merle Kirkley
- 2/8 Nancy Faith
- 2/9 Sonya Beardsley
- 2/9 Shirley Newman
- 2/12 Marilyn Carter
- 2/16 Donna Bosman
- 2/18 Tom Erickson
- 2/25 Roy Yates

Special Dates in February

- African American History Month
- Transfiguration of Our Lord, February 11
- Ash Wednesday, February 14
- Valentine's Day, February 14
- Presidents Day, February 19
- Leap Day, February 29



Carillon: If you have information you would like included in the 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 of the month. Upcoming deadline:

February 11

ALL SUBMISSIONS DUE BY 5 P.M. ON DUE DATE.



In January, we donated 300 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America Food Bank. Great job!

Our next drive-through collection is Monday, February 12 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. Your donations support those in need here in Everett. Thank you for your donations.

Upcoming Donation Dates:

March 4 April 8

Men's Breakfast – February 10th

The Men's Breakfast is Saturday, February 10th, from 8:30 to 10:00 am. All men are invited to attend this time of fellowship and Bible study, not to mention breaking of bread. We hope to see you!



Scrabble Wednesdays in 2024

Scrabble continues in February on the first and third Wednesday of the month.

We invite newbies, the average "word-joe", experts, mentors, and YOU to join us on February 7th and February 21st from 1-3 p.m. in Westminster Hall for fellowship, fun and SCRABBLE.

The north door will be open from 12:50 to 1 p.m.

For more information, please contact Linda Senter or Lois Tysseling. Hope to see YOU there!



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.





Lunch with Alan is on Mondays at noon in the church library. The north door will be open at 11:45am. Bring your lunch or just come to talk and catch up. Coffee is provided.

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Church Leadership

Moderator – Alan Dorway

Ruling Elders

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
Steve Hammond	John Gebert	Kari Nupen
Jamie Hunter	Marne Larson	Randy Fehlhaber
Jan Weakley	Steve Ulvestad	Susan Lynn

Deacons

Class of 2024	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Bob Barren	Lisa Comstock	Rose Capetillo
Doris Pearson	Susan Davis	Sam Capetillo
Ed Pearson	Joan Lyderson	Mike Davis

