

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Worship Bulletin
April 14, 2024 – 10am

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

The First Presbyterian Church of Everett welcomes you to worship. Our Friendship Pads are back 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 *How Great Thou Art* – Dan Miller Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell Steve Torrence, Director of Music Ministries

Welcome Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship Psalm 40:1-5 Jamie Hunter

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 we to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory* #420

Prayer of Confession and the Lord's Prayer Jamie Hunter

To repent is to turn away from sin and turn toward Christ Jesus. Scripture promises that when we confess, God hears our cries and wipes away our sin (Acts 3:19). Trusting in God's promises of new life, let us confess our sins and the sin of this world.

Risen Christ, we are often troubled by our doubts. But you are not troubled by them. You do not require perfect understanding. Instead, you reveal yourself to us again and again that we might come to know you. Forgive us when our doubts keep us stuck, when fear prevents us from loving all creation as you call us to do. Help us to accept the peace you so graciously offer to us. Have mercy on us when we hoard or hide it, when we fail to offer it to others. Renew us and make us whole that in this world of strife we may be bearers of your peace. In resurrection hope we pray.

Take a moment for silent personal confession and reflection.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are” (1 John 3:1). Children of God, we are claimed by God, forgiven of our sins, and set free for love. **Alleluia!**

With hope and with saints everywhere, we pray the prayer Jesus taught us,
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.

Child-at-Heart Object Lesson

Passing of the Peace

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

FPCE Sings	<i>We Lift Our Voices</i>	#105
Solo	<i>Part the Waters</i>	Steve Torrence
Scripture	Luke 24:36-48	
This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!		
Sermon	<i>Effects of the Resurrection: Witness</i>	Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway
Prayers of the People		
Hymn	<i>Though I May Speak</i>	#335
<u>Benediction</u>		Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway
Postlude	<i>God of Grace – Paul Manz</i>	Gary Norris, Organist

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Part of our liturgy today was adapted from the Presbyterian Outlook, 2024 by Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle and provided for free distribution.

Announcements

Thank you all from the bottom of my heart for the birthday wishes last Sunday.
I am still in awe! ~ Jean Kanter

Youth Sunday School

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

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 please 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. No experience necessary, just a willing and open heart.

S.P.A.M.

(Senior Presbyterian Adult Ministry)

RAFTING DOWN THE COLORADO RIVER

WHEN: April 19

FELLOWSHIP PUNCH BOWL: gathering time 11:30

LUNCH: 12 pm (\$7.50)

WHERE: FPCE, Westminster Hall

Sign up at the Welcome booth by April 14th

2025 - 2029 CONSOLIDATED PLAN FOR EVERETT

If you had a million dollars to help your community, how would you spend it? The City of Everett's Community Development Division is conducting outreach to receive input on the needs of Everett residents, employees, and visitors to guide our five-year spending plan called the "Consolidated Plan".

Needs could be based on services (such as childcare), public facilities (such as a community center or food bank), neighborhood improvements (such as sidewalks or park improvements), or housing.

Your participation in this survey will help us capture the needs and desires of our community and help decide how to prioritize funding!

To fill out the survey, go to: [2025 - 2029 Consolidated Plan Needs Survey \(surveymonkey.com\)](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2025-2029-Consolidated-Plan-Needs-Survey)

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. Beginning this Thursday April 18th at 4pm, 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.

Port Gardner Bay Music Society Final 2023/24 Season Gala Concert – April 21

This concert will feature the Moonlight Swing Orchestra on April 21 - 3:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 215 Mukilteo Blvd Everett. This Gala Event will include space for dancing to music from the Big Band Era, a reception, and a raffle for two terrific entertainment packages! Donation as you wish or by suggested donation. For more information, visit www.portgardnermusic.org

Nursery Volunteers Needed

CFD is looking for volunteers to work in the nursery on a rotating schedule. If you are interested, please contact Teresa Good.

SCRABBLE

We invite newbies, the average “word-joe”, experts, mentors, and YOU to join us on April 17th 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 286 pounds to the Volunteers of America Food Bank here in Everett this past week! Awesome job! Our next drive-through collection is Monday, May 6th 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** – Today at 11:30am in hybrid format, both in-person in Calvin Lounge and on Zoom. This class is based on a lecture series titled Biblical Wisdom Literature.
 - Join Zoom using this new link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86976388440?pwd=VGNidGNrbnhSQ0V5Qm1yT1dBSXZxQT09>
 - Meeting ID: 869 7638 8440
- **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.
- **Thursday Bible Study** – Join Pastor Alan April 18th using the Zoom platform. We will be studying the book of Revelation.
 - Join Zoom using this link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82539196213?pwd=WGZFS0JheHVjTGRza0Q2Y3k0R3VqUT09>
 - Meeting ID: 825 3919 6213
 - Passcode: 975621
- **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 April 14, 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.
- Prayers for health, safety, and clarity for the Frontier Foundation Vision Team to North India April 7-20. From Katherine Campbell.
- **Update:** Please pray for Judy Pitcher who is on hospice. Judy is home and we pray for comfort and peace for her and her family. She thanks everyone for their wonderful support and appreciates the cards, calls, and prayers.

- **Update:** Jay Kuhnenn's back surgery went well, almost immediate relief. Taking it slow and easy, which is hard. What a glorious Easter. I'm so blessed. Thank you for your prayers, as mine are also with you.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer who is having memory issues. From Jimmy Sharp.
- Chris Butterfield will be consulting with a neurosurgeon regarding issues with his back and will be having surgery on his back. From Lisa Comstock.
- **Update:** Joseph Williams, brother of Sondra Santos, had a second surgery and continues to heal. The healing process from the surgery will determine what happens next. Continued prayers for healing are appreciated.
- 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.
- **Update:** Thank you for praying for our friend's mom. Your prayers are appreciated. She received good results from her most recent scan. Please keep praying as this is an aggressive cancer. Thank you. From Vicki Dorway

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.

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA 8.7.8.7.8.7.7

John Hughes, 1907

Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930; alt.

1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Thy peo - ple
 2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn Thy Christ, as -
 3. Cure Thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, Bend our pride to
 4. Set our feet on loft - y pla - ces; Gird our lives that

pour Thy power; Crown Thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail Thy ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 Thy con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 they may be Ar - mored with all Christ - like gra - ces,

Bring its bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Pledged to set all cap - tives free. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal, Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal.
 That we fail not them nor Thee! That we fail not them nor Thee!

5. Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Thy salvation
Be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
Serving Thee whom we adore,
Serving Thee whom we adore.

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Though I May Speak

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English folk melody
Harm. John Weaver, 1988

Hal Hopson, 1972

1. Though I may speak with brav - est fire, And have the
 2. Though I may give all I pos - sess, And striv - ing
 3. Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol, Our spir - its

gift to all in - spire, And have not love, my
 so long my love pro - fess, But not be given by
 to be made whole. Let in - ward love guide

words are vain; As sound - ing brass, and hope - less gain.
 love with - in, The prof - it soon turns strange - ly thin.
 ev - ery deed; By this we wor - ship and are freed.

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