

# THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

# Online Worship Bulletin

November 2, 2025 – 10:00 am

# Welcome to Worship Today!

Please take a moment to fill out our Friendship Pads found in the pews. This is a great way to get to know who's worshipping with us and to connect you to our community.

## Nursery Care

Supervised care is available for children birth to 5 years old in our nursery room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Please pick up by 11:05 am or 10 minutes after service.

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

Prelude *Jesu, Joy of Mans Desiring* – Bach

Gary Norris, Organist

# Ringling of the Bell

Leslie Sutin

# Welcome

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship                      Psalm 32:1-7

Merle Kirkley

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

While I kept silent, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;

**I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

**You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

Hymn *How Firm a Foundation*

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## Prayer of Confession

Merle Kirkley

Let us confess our shortcomings as a community that we may be free to live into our God-given purpose again.

**Holy and gracious God, you are the author of every good thing. Forgive us for the ways we fall short of the beautiful story you invite us to step into. You ask us to look and care for the lost; we secure ourselves. You ask us to give away; we grab for more. You ask us to love one another; we cannot see beyond our divisions. The world is full of ugliness, from the macro to the micro. Forgive us. Help us. We call on you, our beloved, our helper, our God, our hope. Hear our silent confessions now.**

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

Assurance of Pardon

Merle Kirkley

God knows our hearts, despite our failures, and treasures the beings that we are. Let us live in peace and find the courage to try again to bring God's kingdom into being.

**We are forgiven. We are loved. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Gloria Patri      *Glory Be to the Father*

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Passing of the Peace

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

FPCE Sings      *Grace Greater Than All Our Sin*

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Chancel Choir Anthem      *Offering – Baloché/Goss*

Directed by Lorilee Brasseur

Scripture      Daniel 6:10-28

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

Sermon      *Faithful Hearts Resist*

Rev. Laura Teraski

Communion Prayer

May the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up our hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord**

We give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give praise to the Lord who fills our lives with grace.**

Communion Hymn      *I Come with Joy*

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Communion      When invited, feel free to come down to participate in communion.  
Pastor Alan will offer communion to those sitting in the pews.

Prayer after Communion

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Benediction

Rev. Laura Teraski

Singing of the *Lord's Prayer*

Lorilee Brasseur

Postlude      *Good Christian Men Rejoice and Sing* – Willan      Gary Norris, Organist

## How Firm a Foundation

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"K" in *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787  
Ed. John Rippon; alt.

FOUNDATION 11.11.11.11

American folk melody  
Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832



1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,  
 3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 4. "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,

Is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!  
 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 For I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign

To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 Up - held by My righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 And sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 Thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.

5. "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
 I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
 That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
 I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."



## I Come with Joy

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DOVE OF PEACE 8.6.8.6.6

Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1977

American folk melody  
Arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, For - giv - en, loved, and  
 2. I come with Chris - tians far and near To find, as all are  
 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, Each proud di - vi - sion  
 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His pres - ence, al - ways  
 5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, We'll go our dif - ferent

free, In awe and won - der to re - call His  
 fed, The new com - mu - ni - ty of love In  
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, And  
 near, Is in such friend - ship bet - ter known: We  
 ways, And as His peo - ple in the world, We'll

life laid down for me, His life laid down for me.  
 Christ's com - mu - nion bread, In Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
 stran - gers now are friends, And stran - gers now are friends.  
 see and praise Him here, We see and praise Him here.  
 live and speak His praise, We'll live and speak His praise.

Alternate tune: LAND OF REST, 522

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## **Announcements**

### **Prayer Requests Update**

We are updating our prayer requests for November. Please send any updates, additions, or deletions to Doreen by Wednesday.

### **Food Challenge – Supporting Our Neighbors**

We believe everyone should have access to food. Each month we collect non-perishable items for the Volunteers of America Food Bank serving Everett families. With SNAP and other food benefits stopping, our Deacons are challenging us to Support Our Neighbors. The Deacons are giving \$500 to the VOA and the Salvation Army and are asking you to match.

You can help by bringing non-perishable food throughout November or by giving financially. Use the green envelopes in the pews or write *Food Challenge* on your check. Donations will be shared with VOA and the Salvation Army on December 8. Thank you for your compassion and care!

### **Hearing Assistance**

A limited number of hearing devices are available to amplify the worship service. To use one, please ask a greeter or Pastor Alan.

### **Called Congregational Meeting Today**

The Session is calling a Congregational Meeting today after worship to vote on the 2026 Terms of Call for our pastor.

### **Chili Cookoff Today**

Our Chili Cook-Off is today right after the congregational meeting. Our famous and award-winning chili cooks have brought their amazing creations for tasting.

### **Join the Choir!**

Calling all singers, past and present, to join the choir. Rehearsal is on Sundays from 11:15 am to 12:45 pm. The choir is open to all people who want to grow in their faith and lead our congregation in glorifying God. If you have questions, please talk with Lorilee, our new Director of Music Ministry, for more information.

## **This Week...**

**Adult Sunday School** – There is no Sunday School today. We will be enjoying the Chili Cookoff.

**Lunch with Alan** – Join us for lunch with Pastor Alan tomorrow at 12 pm.

**Thursday Bible Study** – Thursday Bible Study is November 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm on 1 Timothy 2. Join Zoom meeting:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81320649537?pwd=343k4LdmdXE0Uj18GD5xg7xc9kzoHG.1>

Meeting ID: 813 2064 9537

Passcode: 509769

**Next Sunday** we will have hybrid worship at 10am.

- All videos are linked to our Facebook page, website, app, and YouTube channel.

### **SPAM – November 7<sup>th</sup>**

Join us for the next SPAM luncheon on Friday, November 7. Grab a cup of punch at 11:30 am and visit with others before lunch, which will be served at 12:00 pm. Lunch is \$7.50. Then enjoy listening to our speaker, Neil Anderson, who will be presenting a program on “Riverfront Industries” around the Everett area. Please sign up at the Welcome Booth.

### **Men’s Breakfast – November 8<sup>th</sup>**

Don’t miss the next Men’s Breakfast on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 10:00 am. All men are invited to attend this time of fellowship and Bible study. We hope to see you!

### **Priscilla Circle – November 10<sup>th</sup>**

Priscilla Circle will meet on Monday, November 10 at 11:30 am in Calvin Lounge. We will be discussing chapter 3 in our study book. You may bring a lunch if you desire. All women are welcome.

### **Youth Sunday School**

The First Pres Youth meet after the Passing of the Peace in the youth room on the second floor. They are studying the Apostle’s Creed and will meet on November 9, 16, and 23. The nursery is open on the second floor for our youth under 6 years of age.

If you would like to volunteer in the nursery or in youth Sunday School, please let Pastor Alan or Teresa know.

### **SCRABBLE**

Scrabble meets November 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in Westminster Hall for fellowship, fun and SCRABBLE. The north door will be open from 12:50pm to 1:00pm.

### **The Gathering – November 19<sup>th</sup>**

For our upcoming November Gathering, we’re excited to welcome Braver Angels, an organization dedicated to helping people bridge divides and communicate across differences.

In a time when so many things seem to separate us, we can all benefit from learning how to disagree better. During this workshop, we’ll learn essential skills for respectful communication and finding common ground – even when we don’t see eye to eye.

The session will be led by a two-person Braver Angels team, who will model how people from “blue” and “red” perspectives can disagree and still stay engaged as friends. This is a free workshop, but to help us plan, please register using the Eventbrite link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1766792857999?discount=BRAVER&aff=oddttdtcreator>

Note: There is a sign up sheet at the welcome booth if you’d like the office to register you.

### **VOA Food Donations**

We donated 257 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America this month. Great job! Our next in-person collection is on November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10am to 12pm.

### **Catch a Sunday Worship Rerun**

Did you know that our Sunday worship services are recorded? You can watch past worship services on our FPCE website, mobile app, YouTube channel, and Facebook page. Links to all these channels can be found on our website at: [www.firstpreschurch.com](http://www.firstpreschurch.com).

## Welcoming All with Wisdom and Care

As a downtown church, we are often joined in worship by a diverse range of people. This is a blessing—and at times, a challenge. Please help us respond with compassion and care while maintaining safety and order.

### If Someone is Disruptive:

- **Violent or threatening behavior?**
  - **Call 9-1-1 immediately.** Do not engage alone.
- **Noisy, upset, or needing to talk?**
  - Kindly guide them to Westminster Hall for conversation and care.

### Never Engage Alone:

- Always have **two people present** in any conversation.
- If the person is **male** → Two **men** should engage.
- If the person is **female** → At least **one woman**, who should take the lead.

### In Westminster Hall:

- Offer **coffee** and a seat at a table.
- **Listen patiently.**
- Kindly explain: **We cannot provide funds for rent, bus fare, or other needs.**

Thank you for your grace, presence, and care as we seek to be a welcoming and wise church community. For questions or concerns, please speak with a member of Session or 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, please talk with Pastor Alan or scan his QR code. No experience necessary, just a willing and open heart.

## 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.



Pastor's QR Code

## Prayer Requests November 2, 2025

- Please pray for Mailee's friend, Leslie, who is blind and fell down a flight of stairs. She has a brain bleed, a concussion, broken ribs, and a broken shoulder. She's also suffering from dizziness and nausea. Please pray for her healing. Thank you.
- Roy Yates died. Please keep his family in your prayers during this difficult time.
- Please pray for Chris & Janet Erickson and our grandson, Nick, following the death of their son and brother. From Tom & Pat Erickson.
- **Update:** Our friend, diagnosed with non-alcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH), seeking a liver transplant, has been in and out of the ICU for blood transfusions. She appreciates our prayers, and we continue to pray for a donor and for strength and healing. From Alan & Vicki.

- **Update:** We want to thank everyone for your love, concern and prayer for Alan V. over the past month when he was in the hospital after a heart attack and a mild form of pneumonia. He has been home now for about three weeks and says he is feeling pretty much back to normal. We are grateful that he was able to celebrate his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday with the family and close friends.
- Please pray for Karen, friend of Susan Klingler, who had a heart attack, has blockage in her heart, and has bronchitis. Please also pray for Karen's sister, Debbie, who is concerned about Karen and recently lost her husband. From Lisa Villevik.
- **Update:** My friend's daughter, Angela's new liver transplant went well. The biliary reconstruction to the kidney has been a difficult and slow procedure. But praises to God she finally has been more awake and alert. We trust your prayers to God and her amazing medical team will help in improvement and success. Thank you. From Annette King.
- Please pray for my sister-in-law, Sherry Johnson, who just found out she has to have dialysis every day for the rest of her life. Also, prayers for my brother, Bob, as he has to learn how to use the machines. From Pat Erickson.
- We pray for Rosemary Rheinheimer's daughter, Juliana, who has been diagnosed with Hashimoto disease. Rosemary is visiting Juliana in Brazil and they appreciate our prayers.
- **Update:** Margaret's daughter, Rita: her cancer has spread, and her doctors have said there is nothing they can do. She is home without any treatment options. Please surround Rita, Margaret, and their family with prayer as this is devastating news. From Lisa Villevik.
- **Update:** We are guardedly excited. Mike's great granddaughter, LeAnne, is being allowed to return to her traditional high school setting. She is continuing to receive treatments for her leukemia, but while not yet in remission (the cancer is still there), her chemotherapy is not at the bombardment stage any longer and her doctors say that many kids at this stage can tolerate a return to moderate social gatherings. Her cancer counts and vital sign markers are looking much more favorable. She has gained weight and her hair is growing out fast. Her final chemo treatments are scheduled for late summer 2026. While these are all "good" things, please continue to keep LeAnne in your prayers. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- Please keep Adison & Ainslee, grandchildren of Mike & Martha Clemans, in your prayers. Adison is in Ohio to attend college and play baseball. Ainslee is in Austin to teach 7<sup>th</sup> grade math. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- Lisa, daughter of a friend of Elizabeth Nelson, has a spider bite wound that is not healing and now threatens to require a foot or partial foot amputation. Please pray for a turnaround in her symptoms. From Elizabeth Nelson.
- Ari & Robin Kohler's sister-in-law fell and injured her knee and leg. Please pray for healing.
- Jay Kuhnenn and his mother continue to have back issues. **Update:** Jay's fusion on his back is now scheduled for November. His mother received an injection and has had some relief. Marcia's dementia continues to progress. Thank you for your continued prayers.
- **Update:** Sandy was diagnosed with atrial fibrillation along with her battles with spinal stenosis and neuropathy. Please keep praying for less pain, more comfort, mobility and



good test results. She is very grateful for your continued prayers. Thank you from Annette King.

- Alan Villevik's sister, Mary Rogers, was diagnosed with an aggressive type of cancer. She chose not to proceed with surgery or chemotherapy. Please pray for comfort and freedom from any pain and for our nephew, Bob Rogers, who is caring for her. From Dottie & Alan Villevik.
- We pray for Jean Kanter for healing, strength, peace, and happiness. Thank you.
- We pray for Carol Gresham.
- Marilee Richards' daughter, Karen, has very painful involuntary muscle contractions due to an illness. Prayers for pain relief and healing are appreciated. From Lisa Villevik.
- The father of a friend of Ari & Robin Kohler was recently diagnosed with bladder cancer. Prayers for his healing and for his daughter Meredith are appreciated. From Ari Kohler.
- Please pray for Ari Kohler's sister, Lolita, as she deals with health issues.
- Please pray for my daughter and son-in-law, Joanna & Jason and their 2½ year old daughter, Violet. Violet has been diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes. Prayers for their ability to manage Violet's high blood glucose levels, a new baby, and Joanna's continuing recovery from a C-section. From Diane Preston.
- **Update:** Jade, our grandson, is still doing outpatient dialysis. He is being tested by UW for kidney transplant. He is still able to work for which we are all thankful. Please continue all prayers. From Mike & Martha Clemans.
- Please pray for Genny Heuer. From Jimmy Sharp.
- Our nephew, Ben, is in dire need of a new kidney. Please pray for a donor and visit and share this website with all: <https://www.kidneyforben.com/>. From John & Lisa Gebert.
- Please pray for Robin & Ari Kohler's niece, Lola, as she deals with health issues.
- We pray for Marsha Lueth who has health issues that are preventing her from doing the things she would like to. She is comfortable, but we pray for healing and peace from the Holy Spirit.
- Please pray for my father-in-law, Richard Alfrejd, who continues to battle stage four cancer. From Emily Alfrejd.
- Monica's husband, Robby, is still struggling with the effects of his stroke. Prayers are appreciated. From Mike and Martha Clemans
- Aaron, a friend of Lisa Villevik, has been very ill and has gone through dozens of tests. The cause of his illness has not been identified, and he is very discouraged. Please pray he will be restored to health and hope.

### Continued Prayers

- Family of Tracy Klingler
- Family of Marilyn Larsen
- Family of Roy and Barbara Yates
- Family of Mary Grosse
- Family of Michael Goza
- Family of Bev Brandt