

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EVERETT

Online Worship Bulletin – 10am

August 29, 2021

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

Prelude

Gary Norris, Organist

Ringing of the Bell

Steve Torrence

Director of Music Ministries

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Call to Worship

Based on James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above,

Coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow

In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth,

That we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger;

For our anger does not produce God's righteousness.

Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

Be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves.

For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror;

For they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like.

But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless.

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this:

To care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

1 Lord of light, your name outshining,
 All the stars and suns of space,
 Use our talents in your kingdom
 As the servants of your grace;
 Use us to fulfill your purpose
 In the gift of Christ your Son.

Refrain

Abba, as in highest heaven
 So on earth your will be done.

2 By the toil of faithful workers
 In some far outlying field;
 By the courage where the radiance
 Of the cross is still revealed;
 By the victories of meekness,
 Through reproach and suffering won.

Refrain

3 Grant that knowledge, still increasing,
 At your feet may lowly kneel;
 With your grace our triumphs hallow,
 With your clarity our zeal;
 Lift the nations from the shadows
 To the gladness of the sun. *Refrain*

4 By the prayers of faithful watchers,
 Never silent day or night;
 By the cross of Jesus bringing
 Peace to all, and healing light;
 By the love that passes knowledge,
 Making all your children one. *Refrain*

Prayers of Confession and the Lord's Prayer

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.

Summer Choir

Yes, My Jesus Loves Me

Directed by Steve Torrence

Scripture

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Sermon*We Reject Our One Body*

Rev. Dr. Alan Dorway

Live into hope of captives freed,
of sight regained, the end of greed.
The oppressed shall be the first to see
the year of God's own jubilee!

Live into hope of liberty,
the right to speak, the right to be,
the right to have one's daily bread,
to hear God's word and thus be fed.

Live into hope! The blind shall see
with insight and with clarity,
removing shades of pride and fear,
a vision of our God brought near.

Live into hope of captives freed,
From the chains of fear or want or greed.
God now proclaims our full release,
to faith and hope and joy and peace.

Benediction

Postlude

Gary Norris, Organist

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All Church Picnic Today at Legion Park Picnic Shelter

Join us after worship at 11:30am with food beginning closer to 12pm

There will be hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, beverages, and ice cream sandwiches provided by the Christian Formation and Discipleship Committee. All you need to do is bring any extra fixings for your burger or hot dog. All are welcome!

- Next Sunday we will have hybrid worship at 10am.
- All videos are linked to our web page, app, and YouTube channel.

UPCOMING INFORMATION:

- Fall Kick Off is Sunday September 12th beginning in worship for our ReOpen ReOpening!
 - Flower calendar begins – sign up to bring flowers from September to December 2021
 - In person Coffee Time hosted by the deacons starts after worship
 - Hybrid Adult Sunday School begins in Calvin Lounge at 11:30am
- We have donated 3,677 pounds of food to the Volunteers of America food bank here in our community! Our next collection is on Monday September 13th from 11am to 1pm in the alley.
- Lunch with Pastor Alan will be on break until September 14th.
- Thursday Bible Study will resume on Thursday September 23rd.

Priscilla Circle begins Monday September 13th at 11:30am

Priscilla Circle will begin meeting again on Monday, September 13, at 11:30 AM in Calvin Lounge. Since it has been so long that we have been together, this will be a social meeting in which we will discuss our plans for the year and what our study lesson will be. We welcome all women who wish to attend. Please bring a salad to share for our potluck lunch. Dessert and beverages will be provided. Masks are required as well as Covid-19 protocols.

Upcoming Memorials

We will honor Don Lyderson's life on Thursday September 16th at 2pm.

Dick Weakley's Celebration of Life is on Saturday September 25th at 4pm.

Save the Date

October 3rd is World Communion Sunday and our *Souper* Sunday. This is a relaxing lunch after worship for community building sponsored by the Deacons. All are invited!

Prayer Updates August 29, 2021

- We pray for Snohomish County. On Tuesday August 24th, the rate of new COVID cases during the last two weeks now stands at 442 per 100,000 people – the second-highest level in the last 18 months. There were 85 people with COVID in the county's hospitals Tuesday, with 11 requiring ventilators to help them breathe.
- We pray for our county and city leaders as they navigate this COVID surge in our community.
- We pray for Maggie Lamus as her sister, Barbara Werner, died last Thursday following complications from a stroke and dementia.
- We pray for Campbell Farms. Our friend and colleague in ministry, Carman Pimms, died unexpectedly in her sleep on Saturday, August 21, 2021. For the last several years, Carman, a member of the Yakama Nation, has served as Executive Director leading the Farm into active ministry among those in need in and around Wapato. Her vision for the future was to continue to grow the influence of the Farm as a place of love, safety, and support for the people in her community.
- Update: Diane Preston thanks everyone who prayed for my childhood friend, Shelly. She left the hospital this last Friday to enter hospice at her daughter's house and passed away this Monday morning (8/23).
- Please pray for my mom Lorraine's salvation and pray for her healing. Philip Chang.
- I would like to ask God's protection from Bias, Hate, Race, Violence, Abuse. From Philip Chang.
- Please pray for Bruce Russell, who is fighting a serious infection. From Lisa Comstock.
- Let us lift up mighty prayers for Cindy Sterba, friend of Sonya Beardsley. Cindy is a volunteer for New and Again Thrift Store (benefitting Domestic Violence). She has bladder cancer and spots on her lungs and colon.
- Update: We pray for Marilee Richards who has been diagnosed with COVID. She is home and resting, but still very sick.

- Update from Marsha Lueth: My great nephew, who was born 8 weeks early, at 3 pounds, is now home after 10 weeks in the NICU. Thank you for your prayers for Jasper and his family.
- We pray for Pat Erickson as she seeks a solution to a physical problem that limits her mobility.
- Update: We pray for Scott Morrow as he begins chemotherapy. We pray for his doctors, his strength, God's comfort, and for Shirley, Todd, and Peggy.
- We pray for Mike Goza after spinal surgery. He is home and is undergoing extensive rehab and recovery. We pray for Carolyn during this time and that God's peace, healing, and patience be with them.
- Jodi Doney asks us to pray for Bill W. to return safely from his vacation and continues as a faithful pen pal and friend to Jody.
- Jodi Doney asks for prayers for Randy and their relationship as brother and sister in Christ.
- Update: We pray for Robin Kohler's stepmom, Mary Lee Harris. Mary Lee needed another surgery and needs prayer as she heals.
- Sondra Santos asks for prayers for her uncle, Jimmy Sico, who was recently diagnosed with Glioblastoma. He has begun radiation treatment.
- Update: Sondra also asks for prayers for her brother-in-law, John Hightower, who was diagnosed with colon cancer. John had surgery to remove a mass and the good news is the mass is not cancerous.
- Update: We continue to pray for Linda Case, Lois Tysseling's sister. Linda had surgery and is recovering.
- We pray for Gary Norris. We pray for his recovery and continued health.
- We pray for Lucille Hofer as her daughter, Shirley Klien, died unexpectedly.
- Update: John Ortmeier, Samaritan Counseling Director Emeritus, is recovering well after an embolic stroke (clot). He is receiving physical therapy and words were coming easier to him and forming complete sentences.
- We pray for Marilee Richard's grandson Cody who is struggling with personal issues. We continue to pray for her daughter Karen who has several health issues.
- Prayers for Juliana Pelhs, daughter of Rosemary Cassady, who works and sees patients in Brazil. COVID is rampant in Brazil and the health care system is strained.
- Steve Ellis, friend of Steve Torrence, who has been diagnosed with stage 2 prostate cancer.
- Prayers for Judy Campbell's son, Robert Henry, has a brain tumor. He was being treated for Meniere's Syndrome and surgery was pending when an MRI revealed the brain tumor. Surgery has been put off while another treatment is being administered.
- Update: Tricia (Meier) Countryman – concerning pulmonary embolism. Multiple tests have not discovered why she is ill. She is transferring her care and tests to Virginia Mason for continued diagnosis. Friend of Annette King

Continued Prayers for FPCE

- Prayers for members and families who have lost loved ones during our time apart:
 - Rev. Ed Coon
 - Merle Kirkley
 - Dorothy Nerison
 - Family of Letty Ownings
 - Family of Prince Schaefer
 - Family of Dr. George Youngstrom
 - Jay Kuhnhenh
 - Peggy Ulvestad
 - Judy Oberg
 - Judy Campbell
 - Jan Weakley
 - Family of Maurine Murray
 - Family of Bonnie Brown
 - Family of Celia Gordon
 - Sam and Rose Capetillo
 - Marcia Ricks and family
 - Joan Lyderson and family
 - Bea Swafford's family
 - Lucille Hofer
 - Bev Fox's family
- Larry O'Donnell
- Matt McCoy, Grandson of Annette King
- Clyde and Judy Pitcher
- Robby as he continues to heal and for Monica helping every step of the way – from Martha and Mike Clemans
- Cindy Rowlands
- Prayers for Hannah – Carol and Roy Gresham
- Prayers for Jan Geibel – Clyde and Judy Pitcher's daughter
- Prayers for friend and neighbor, Doug, as he battles lung cancer – Tony and Lois Tysseling
- Pray for Terrie and Gregg, friends of the Tysselings
- Bob Salinas, brother of Rose and Sam Capetillo
- Cy Paydar – nephew of Steve and Nancy Torrence

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 for Suzan, Judy Kutz's sister and Dale and Janet Good.